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REPORT

OF THE OFFICERS

PIERMONT, N.H.

FOR THE YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31

2005

This Town Report

Is Dedicated To

**WAYNE F. GODFREY
FIRE CHIEF**

AND

**JOHN E. METCALF
POLICE DEPARTMENT
OFFICER IN CHARGE**

**THANK YOU FOR ALL YOU HAVE DONE TO
MAKE AND KEEP OUR TOWN A SAFE PLACE
TO LIVE**

ANNUAL REPORT
OF THE
OFFICERS
OF THE
TOWN OF PIERMONT
NEW HAMPSHIRE

For the Year Ending December 31, 2005

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Selectmen	Jean. D. Daley, Chair (2006)	272-4944
	Robert J. Lang, (2007)	989-5684
	Dean W. Osgood, Chair (2008)	272-5804
Town Clerk	Linda Lambert (2006)	272-5848
Treasurer	James Lambert	272-5848
Tax Collector	Linda Lambert (2006)	272-5848
Road Agent	Christopher Davidson (2008)	272-9110
Police Officer-in-Charge	John E. Metcalf	272-4372
Fire Chief	Wayne Godfrey	272-5802
Forest Fire Warden	Roy Belyea (2006)	272-4886
Health Officer	Alex Medlicott	272-4835
Emergency Management	Wayne Godfrey	272-5802
Animal Control Officer	Wayne Godfrey	272-5802
Supervisors-Checklist	Vea Jenks (2010)	272-4838
	Russell Woodard (2006)	272-4378
	Louis Hobbs (2008)	272-5810
Trustee Trust Fund	Frederick Shipman, Chr. (2008)	272-4938
	William R. Deal (2007)	272-5882
	Louis Hobbs (2006)	272-5810
Moderator	Arnold Shields (2006)	989-3171

LIBRARY TRUSTEES

Joyce Thompson, (2006)	Marian Shields Treas (2006)
Helga Mueller, (2008)	Joe Medlicott (2007)
Stephanie Gordon, Chr. (2008)	Nancy Sandell (2007)
Betty Hall, (2006)	
Margaret Ladd, Librarian	
Jim Meddaugh , Assistant Librarian	

ZONING ADMINISTRATOR

Terry Robie	272-4901
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BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT

Fred Shipman, Chr. (2007)	George Schmid, Vice Chr. (2007)
Steve Daly (2008)	Charlie Brown (2008)
Helga Mueller (2006)	
Dean Osgood, Alternate (2008)	

PLANNING BOARD

Peter Labounty Chr (2006)
Fred Shipman (2008)
Suzanne Woodward (2007)
Jean D. Daley, Ex-Officio
Helga Mueller, Secretary

Edward French (2009)
Bill Morris (2007)
Peggy Fullerton (2008)
Donna Huntington (2008)

HISTORICAL SOCIETY

Joe Medlicott., Pres.
Frederick Shipman, Treas.
Lloyd Hall, Dir. of Preservation

Helga Mueller, V.P.
Anna Williams, Corresp. Secy.
Betty Hall, Dir-at-Large.

CONSERVATION COMMISSION

Helga Mueller, Chr.
David Ritchie
Donald Smith

Charles Grant
Eric Underhill
Asa Metcalf

RECYCLING CENTER & TRANSFER STATION

Wayne Godfrey, Manage
John Metcalf, Assistant Manager

**MINUTES OF THE ANNUAL TOWN MEETING
MARCH 8, 2005
TOWN OF PIERMONT**

Polls opened in the Old Church building at 10:00 for voting by Official Ballot on Articles One and Two and closed at 6:30PM. A total of 79 voters voted.

Moderator Shields opened meeting at 7:30 followed by Pledge of Alliance.
Moderator

Explained procedure for voting and reconfirmed that a voter can vote only if on checklist for the Town of Piermont.

ARTICLE ONE: (By Official Ballot) To vote by Official Ballot for the following Town officers:

One Selectman - three years	Dean Osgood
Treasurer- one year	James Lambert *
Trustee of Trust Funds- three years	Frederick Shipman *
Two Library Trustees- three years	Helga Mueller *
	Stephanie Gordon
Road Agent- three years	Christopher Davidson *

Swore in people who were present(*) except for Selectmen due to a close vote.

ARTICLE TWO: (by official ballot) To see if the Town will vote to amend the existing Town of Piermont Zoning Ordinance by adding a Floodplain Management Ordinance, as proposed by the Planning Board. The amendment enacts a revised Floodplain management Ordinance. Copies of the complete text of the proposal are available for review at the Town Office. The following question will appear on the official ballot:

“Are you in favor of the adoption of the amendment to the existing Town Zoning Ordinance as proposed by the Planning Board? The amendment revises the Floodplain Management Ordinance as an addendum to the Zoning Ordinance, establishing certain permit requirements for development within designated floodplain areas and setbacks. The details are required by state and federal emergency management agencies as a condition of the Town’s participation in the federal flood insurance program. The amendment also makes editorial changes to the existing ordinance, consistent with the new ordinance.”

62-YES 13- NO

Selectmen Dean Osgood made a motion to adjourn meeting to a different day and time due to the blizzard outside. Show of hands- definitely a NO. Everyone present proceeded to go through Checklist to receive ballots for tonight’s ballot counts.

ARTICLE THREE: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate \$497,000 to upgrade the present Piermont Village sewer system, and to authorize the issuance of not more than \$497,000 of bonds or notes in accordance with the Municipal Finance Act (RSA 33) and to authorize the Selectmen to issue and negotiate such bonds

and determine the rate of interest' and further to authorize the Selectmen to apply for, contract for, and accept any federal, state or other grants for this purpose, and to utilize the said grants for the purpose of reducing the amount to be borrowed, and to do all things necessary to carry out the purposes of this appropriation. (2/3 ballot vote required.) Note: It is the Selectmen's intent to make any bond payments using sewer user fees, and not using general taxation. The Selectmen recommend this article.

Moved by Fred Shipman

Seconded by Wayne Godfrey

Discussion: Bill Morris asks selectmen if they are ensuring the towns' people that this is not paid for with taxes. Yes- paid by users fees. Glen Meder asks how much users fees would be go up-the extreme raise would be about \$200.00 per unit. The system has been in complete failure for a few years. At this time there is a fine against the town for \$94,000.00 to be paid by the Town not the users. If we pass this article to fix the system the penalty would be waived. Users really have no choice in the upgrading of the system. Charles Brown asks if this is considered capital fees or maintenance fees upgrade? - Maintenance at \$200.00 per unit. Robert Elder asks what is total now per unit-\$800.00.

Salmon colored ballots used. Moderator held voting open for one hour.

Counted later in meeting—passed

ARTICLE FOUR: To raise and appropriate \$494,946 appearing in the Town Budget as necessary to defray Town Charges for the ensuing year, divided as follows and subject to any adjustment which may be voted upon at this Meeting:

ITEM	BUDGETED CHARGE
Officers Salaries	31,800
Officers Expenses	25,000
Auditor Expense	7,500
Election/Registration	3,000
Town Buildings	25,000
Village Sewer System (Note 4)	26,858
Police Dept.	25,955
Fire Dept. & Fast Squad (see Note 5)	31,755
Tax Maps	800
Library	32,000
Cemeteries (see note 1)	23,300
Ambulance, Fire and Police Dispatching Services	6,451
Upper Valley Ambulance	10,635
Testing Monitoring Wells	5,900
Contingency	1,500
Insurance	7,500
Legal Expenses	5,000
Solid Waste Disposal (see note 2)	38,449
Street Lights and Blinker	4,700

Highways and Bridges-Winter Maintenance	60,000
Highways and Bridges-Summer Maintenance	52,500
Highway Subsidy (see note 3)	33,398
Public Welfare	6,000
Memorial Day	600
Upper Valley Lake Sunapee Regional Planning	745
Recreation and Swimming Pool	2,500
Interest	100
Planning Board and Zoning Board of Adjustment	22,500
Miscellaneous	500
TOTAL TOWN CHARGES	494,946

Note 1: Town raises by taxes \$18,800; balance comes from Cemetery Trust Funds, user fees and surplus in Operating Account.

Note 2: The Town expects to receive \$15,500 from the sale of bags and other charges to offset this cost.

Note 3: This amount is received from the State for use by the Highway Department.

Note 4: This entire amount is anticipated to come from user fees, with no money raised by taxes.

Note 5: Grant approved for \$3,370 and have also applied for \$245 to offset these charges.

Corrected line for- Testing monitoring wells to \$8900.00 (a clerical error- the total sum stays the same.) Moved by Helga Mueller

Seconded by Tom Elliott

Discussion: Asked how if passed the new school addition would affect Library budget? Stephanie Gordon attested that it would not cause an increase in their budget. Marian Shields stated that the library would lose the \$700.00 received from the school for it's use of library building and lose some money from the school used for purchasing for the school in mind. The library would still have to purchase some of these books for the towns' peoples use. Tom Elliott amends the line for the Fire Dept and Fast Squad increasing it by \$500.00 (amount up to \$32,255.00) for the rescue budget. New members joining the squad need to purchase supplies for their kits and classes. Voice heard to approve amendment. Article called for vote

Voice passed with a few no votes heard

ARTICLE FIVE: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$110,805 (gross budget) to reconstruct a portion of Indian Pond Road beginning at a point 1.13 miles south of the Route 25C Indian Pond Road intersection (top of first hill, by Fields residence), to the intersection of Piermont Heights Road (total length 2,300 linear feet) including pavement grinding, install drainage, install sub base and pave 2" binder; and of this amount to authorize the issuance of not more than \$90,000 of bonds or notes in accordance with the Municipal Finance Act (RSA 33) and to authorize the Selectmen to issue and negotiate such bonds and determine the rate of interest; with the

remaining \$20,805 to be raised by taxation. (2/3 ballot vote require) The Selectmen recommend this article. Note: If this project does not pass, the regular budget shim pavement will be used at this location. If it passes, shim pave will be done on first hill (about 1/4 ways up).

Moved by Chris Davidson

Seconded by Abigale Underhill

Discussion: Chris's concern on articles 5,6,7 is the priority by the towns' people on what road job is more urgent in their eyes. There is no emergency at this time on any of these roads and expects all three articles will not pass. Shawn Rogers asks if any of these road projects are phased in for 2006? - no the Bean Brook Bridge is scheduled for 2006. Asked why this section of Indian Pond Road, which is mostly flat, why start with this part when the rest of road is a lot worst. Moderator did not acknowledge the question-no answer. Chris Jacobs asks what grinding means- grate up and add material to sub base. Helga Mueller asks- if this article passes are we still able to vote on articles 6, 7-yes. It was asked why is this in this order to vote on-Chris feels Indian Pond is priority due to the condition of the road surface is hard to plow in its present condition. Katherine Johnson states that Church Street should be priority in her opinion but states she doesn't use Indian Pond Road. Call to move article- voice passed.

Blue ballot used Moderator held voting open for one hour.

Opened later in meeting- 26 YES 21NO (needs 32) failed

. Motion made by James Lambert to move over articles 6 and 7 until ballot count was final then return to articles 6 and 7 after vote announced by moderator on article 5. Bill Morris seconded no discussion voice passed.

ARTICLE SIX: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$60,000 to complete Phase II of Church Street reconstruction beginning at a point 730 lf from Route 10 Church Street intersection (where we left off in 2004) south 1,025 lf (to where we started shimming in 2004 just before bridge at the James' residence). Project consists of pavement grinding, drainage, sub base and pave 2" binder and 1" wear.

NOTE; This Article is not recommended if Article 5 passes.

Moved by Chris Davidson

Seconded by Tom Elliott

Discussion: Robert Elder if defeated where on 10 year plan is this article-road agent is one year behind ten year plan. Also what is the phase in plan for this -phase 2=5 years, wants to wait on end of Church Street to see if sewer lines needs to be torn up. Charles Brown asks what cost would be if just repaved lower end just to finish off. Just to pave a top coat shimming 1/4 coarse would be from \$35,000.00-40,000.00. Ed French states road was an old state road so base should be better to lower cost some-Chris agreed but found on the upper project it had only a 4" gravel base which is not up to state standards. Voice passed a few nos

ARTICLE SEVEN; To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$41,325 to complete Indian Pond Phase I. This coincides with the 10-year plan. This project would start the reconstruction of Indian Pond Road, to begin at the point

where Indian Pond changes to a dirt road North 650'. Project description is to grind existing pavement, drainage, sub base and pave 2" binder.

NOTE; This Article is not recommended if Article 5 passes.

Moved by Chris Davidson

Seconded by Abigale Underhill

Discussion: Helga Mueller asks where this exactly is –what part of the road is this-from dirt part towards town. Ed French asks if selectmen recommend? -They recommend one road job a year. Mark Fagnant calls question seconded by Helga Mueller voice passed article 7 YES- 6 NO- all rest defeated

ARTICLE EIGHT: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$3,010 for the Visiting Nurse Alliance of Vermont and New Hampshire.

Moved by Tom Elliott

Seconded by Wayne Godfrey

No discussion Voice passed no nays

ARTICLE NINE: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$600 for the White Mountain Mental Health Center.

Moved by James Lambert

Seconded by Tom Elliott

No discussion: Voice passed no nays

ARTICLE TEN: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$950 for the support of the Community Action Outreach Program.

Moved by Wayne Godfrey

Seconded by Tom Elliott

No discussion: Voice passed no nays

ARTICLE ELEVEN: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$1,300 for the Grafton Senior Citizen Council.

Moved by Tom Elliott

Seconded by Marian Shields

No discussion: passed by voice no nays heard

ARTICLE TWELVE: To see if the Town will raise and appropriate the sum of \$300 to be paid to ACORN.

Moved by Tom Elliott

Seconded by Marian Shields

Discussion: Robert Elder recommends volunteering there but not voting any money for them. Show of hands 23 YES 19NO passed

ARTICLE THIRTEEN: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate \$362 to be paid to the Lower Cohase Communication Committee to maintain a web site to promote Haverhill and Piermont, New Hampshire and Bradford and Newbury, Vermont.

Moved by John Metcalf

Seconded by Wayne Godfrey
No discussion voice passed

ARTICLE FOURTEEN: To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$500 to support the Woodsville Area Fourth of July Celebration

Moved by Tom Elliott

Seconded by Fred Shipman

Discussion: none voice passed a few nays

ARTICLE FIFTEEN: To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$15,000 for a Statistical Update per orders from the State of New Hampshire Dept. of Revenue Administration and to authorize Selectmen to withdraw that entire sum from the Revaluation Capital Reserve Fund.

The Selectmen recommend this Article.

Moved by Helga Mueller

Seconded by James Lambert

Discussion: Tom Elliott asks what is purpose of an update? DRA in Concord brings to attention that prices in Piermont are out of proportion to sale prices and we need updates to bring back in line. It's not a full revaluation just an update on property. They will work out of the office so every parcel will not be looked at this time. Plan to have revalue done on quarter of town each year for four years then all values will be added to blotter book for full town update. Is this a flat increase or a percentage? Moderator did not acknowledge the question- no answer. Right now selling prices are going much higher than assessed values. DRA tolerates a 5% variance and we are now higher than 25%. What is a neighborhood? - lakes area, village, all other developed areas -your parcel based on parcels of same likenesses in similar areas. What happens if we not do this? We will be forced to do a full revaluation, besides all State money due town will be held till this is corrected and school numbers used for state money will be incorrect. Right now the imbalance correction would be on the land portions. Who does this revaluation? - hired new company with new user-friendly software system. The original revaluation was off but had to use it- couldn't change that first years numbers once set in system so throw off all valuations. How does a taxpayer complain on values - see selectmen or go to land use board or superior court. Land values are different in different areas for example-building lots are assessed for first acre from 10,000 to 25,000 in different parts of town. Tom Elliott calls question John Metcalf seconded passed by voice

Voice passed article passed 2 nos

ARTICLE SIXTEEN: To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$7,865 to fund the first year of a five-year revaluation of the Town. (Note: the contract is a rolling revaluation service to be completed on or before October 1, 2009. doing ¼ of the Town annually for a total cost of \$66,460, with payments of \$7,865 each in 2005, 2006, 2007 and 2008, plus an additional \$10,000 in 2007 for a statistical update at that time and \$25,000 in 2009 to update values, hold hearings, and defense of values.)

Moved by Tom Elliott

Seconded by Fred Shipman

Discussion: Tom Elliott asks if dollar amounts are locked in-yes have signed contract for statistical update. Charles Brown questions if values in four years would still be correct -the \$10,000.00 in 2007 would be used for another statistical update of all values collected in the four years before tax rate is calculated. Robert Elder asks if this was put out to bid-yes. This company had the best price and personnel were very professional plus computer program appears to be user-friendly. Glen Meder asks if he understands clearly that in four years new values are changed at the end of this time frame and not each year? -yes. Why couldn't we do it all in one year and save \$20,000.00 at end of four years? Moderator did not acknowledge the question- no answer.
Passed 1no vote heard

ARTICLE SEVENTEEN: To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$1,500 to remove the Christmas tree on the town common and replace it with a smaller one.

Moved by Helga Mueller
Seconded by Tom Elliott

Discussion: Mary Musty asks towns people not to cut down tree it would cost \$15,000 to replace it. Where did \$1500.00 come from-estimate from a logger? Why not spend the \$1500.00 on buying decorations for tree or town? Charles Brown says it is a landmark in town and a town monument. Doug Platt asks why do we want it cut down? -some people feel it's out lived it use- it's too large and straggly at the top. Can tree be trim to look good? Mary Musty says it doesn't need to be trimmed. Some feel we need to allot money for decorations not cutting it down. John Metcalf states that it's hard to see around and questions if the roots are getting near the towns' war monument? Just replace with a smaller tree. Chris Davidson's concern is there is a road drain under this tree and could become a problem. Chris Jacobs says he could trim tree to see how that works this year then decide next year -\$1500.00 is too much. Tom Elliott calls question John Metcalf seconds voice passed.
To cut down tree 2-YES ALL REST- NO defeated

Article #3 opened to be counted - Salmon colored ballots 43 YES 6 NO passed

ARTICLE EIGHTEEN: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$20,000 to be paid into the Bean Brook Bridge Expendable Trust Fund.

The Selectmen recommend this Article
Moved by Fred Shipman
Seconded by Helga Mueller

Discussion: Robert Elder what is amount to do bridge in 2006-\$135,000?
Voice passed no nays

ARTICLE NINETEEN: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$5,000 to be paid into the Town Equipment Capital Reserve Fund.

The Selectmen recommend this Article
Moved by Tom Elliott

Seconded by Wayne Godfrey

Discussion: none voice passed no nays

ARTICLE TWENTY: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$5,000 to be paid into the Town Bridge Capital Reserve Fund.

The Selectmen recommend this Article

Moved by Mark Fagnant

Seconded by Chris Davidson

No discussion: voice passed no nays heard

ARTICLE TWENTY-ONE: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$10,000 to be paid into Town Fire and Emergency Vehicles Capital Reserve Fund.

The Selectmen recommend this Article.

Moved by Steve Daly

Seconded by Tom Elliott

Discussion: Robert Elder ask if there is something in mind coming up for this amount? - new fire truck next year for \$200,000.00

Voice passed no nays

ARTICLE TWENTY-TWO: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$5,000 to be paid into the Revaluation Capital Reserve Fund.

The Selectmen recommend this Article

Moved by Ben Elder

Seconded by Helga Mueller

Discussion: none voice passed no nays

Opened Article #5 for counting 26-Yes 21-NO (needs 32) failed

ARTICLE TWENTY-THREE: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum not to exceed \$2,000 to be paid into the Town Recycling Center/Transfer Station Expendable Trust, these funds to come from anticipated revenue raised from recycling and not to be raised from taxation.

The Selectmen recommend this Article

Moved by Wayne Godfrey

Seconded by James Lambert

Discussion: Robert Elder asks if trash reduction is reflected in budget- this year \$6000.00 less because tonnage is down from 135 ton to 117 ton. Does sale of recycled material go into this? It pays for dumpsters and etc. at recycling center.

ARTICLE TWENTY-FOUR: To transact any other business that may legally come before the Meeting.

Donna Huntington gave update on National and State Forest passes –there is no fee as of yet at Lake Tarleton Park but when they put in a port-a- potty and picnic tables a

fee will be charged. She has a petition for the towns' people to sign to go to State so town residents and taxpayers wouldn't have to pay.

Helga Mueller thanks town's people for the new historical room in old church.

Helga Mueller congratulates Wayne for saving the town money by doing a great job in recycling.

Tom Elliott asks for moment of silence for those departed from us this year.

Fred Shipmen stated we all missed Bill Deal from town meeting this year but the weather was bad for him to come out in but he is alright-not ill health.

Barbara Fitzpatrick wanted to thank selectmen for this year's town report dedication.

Ellen Putnam asks people to please sign up for the ambulance service cost is the \$40.00 a year it's very inexpensive if you need to use it.

Dean Osgood asks for an opinion on changing town meeting to a Saturday meeting?

Those present stated this was the wrong group to ask because they all came out tonight even with the storm outside. New England is the only region that still has town meetings so we all hope everyone will still continue to come because here you can speak your piece and be a part of local government.

Motion to adjourn by James Lambert
Seconded by Fred Shipmen
Meeting adjourned at 9:30 PM

Town Clerk, Linda Lambert

March 12,2004

TOWN CLERK

Linda Lambert

BOARD OF SELECTMEN

Jean D. Daley
Robert J. Lang
Dean W. Osgood

**WARRANT FOR THE ANNUAL TOWN MEETING
MARCH 14, 2006
TOWN OF PIERMONT**

To the inhabitants of the Town of Piermont, New Hampshire, who are qualified to vote in Town affairs.

You are hereby notified that the Annual Town Meeting of the Town of Piermont, New Hampshire, will be held at the Piermont Village School on Tuesday, March 14, 2006 at 10:00 o'clock in the forenoon, to act upon the following subjects.

Polls will be located in the Old Church Building and will be open at 10:00 a.m. for voting by Official Ballot on Article One and will close at 6:30 p.m. unless the Town votes to keep the polls open to a later hour. All other Articles will be presented, discussed and acted upon beginning at 7:30 p.m. at the Piermont Village School.

ARTICLE ONE: (By Official Ballot) To vote by Official Ballot for the following Town officers:

One Selectman to serve for a term of three years.

A Treasurer to serve for a term of one year.

One Trustee of Trust Funds for a term of three years.

One Trustee of Trust Funds for a term of one year

Three Library Trustees to serve for a term of three years.

One Town Clerk for a term of three years.

One Tax Collector for a term of three years

One Moderator for a term of two years.

One Supervisor of Checklist for a term of six years

And such other officers required to be elected by Official Ballot.

ARTICLE TWO: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate \$206,950 to purchase a new fire engine, and to authorize the issuance of not more than \$138,450 of bonds or notes in accordance with the Municipal Finance Act (RSA 33) and to authorize the Selectmen to issue and negotiate such bonds and determine the rate of interest, and further to authorize the withdrawal of \$61,000 from the Town Fire/Emergency Services Vehicles Capital Reserve Fund and accept a donation of \$7,500 from the Piermont Firefighters Fund Raising Account to apply to this purchase. (2/3 Ballot vote required.)

The Selectmen recommend this article.

ARTICLE THREE: To raise and appropriate \$558,136 appearing in the Town Budget as necessary to defray Town Charges for the ensuing year, divided as follows and subject to any adjustment which may be voted upon at this Meeting:

ITEM	BUDGETED CHARGE
Officers Salaries	36,500
Officers Expenses	25,000
Auditor Expense	7,500
Election/Registration	3,000
Town Buildings	25,000
Village Sewer System (Note 4)	40,365
Police Dept. (Note 5)	58,387
Fire Dept. & Fast Squad	30,570
Tax Maps	800
Library	33,500
Cemeteries (see note 1)	11,700
Ambulance, Fire and Police Dispatching Services	6,964
Upper Valley Ambulance	10,635
Testing Monitoring Wells	10,000
Contingency	1,500
Insurance	9,000
Legal Expenses	10,000
Solid Waste Disposal (see note 2)	35,102
Street Lights and Blinker	5,500
Highways and Bridges-Winter Maintenance	60,000
Highways and Bridges-Summer Maintenance	58,500
Highway Subsidy (see note 3)	32,413
Public Welfare	30,000
Memorial Day	600
Recreation and Swimming Pool	5,000
Interest	100
Planning Board and Zoning Board of Adjustment	10,000
Miscellaneous	500
TOTAL TOWN CHARGES	558,136

Note 1: Town raises by taxes \$6,800; 3500 comes from Cemetery Trust Funds, 1400 to come from user fees.

Note 2: The Town expects to receive \$16,000 from the sale of bags and other charges to offset this cost.

Note 3: This amount is received from the State for use by the Highway Department.

Note 4: This entire amount is anticipated to come from user fees, with no money raised by taxes.

Note 5: This will be reduced to \$42,000 if the town passes Article 5 or 6 to purchase or lease/purchase a police cruiser.

ARTICLE FOUR: To see if the Town will raise and appropriate the sum of \$3,000 for the preservation of town records.

ARTICLE FIVE: To see if the Town will raise and appropriate the sum of \$21,000 to purchase a new police cruiser, and further, to authorize the Selectmen to withdraw that entire sum of \$21,000 from the Town Equipment Capital Reserve fund.

The Selectmen recommend this Article.

ARTICLE SIX: To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to enter into a three- year lease- purchase agreement for \$22,000 for the purpose of leasing and purchasing a new police cruiser, further, to raise and appropriate the sum of \$7,863 for the first year's payment for that purpose. This agreement contains an escape clause.

If Article Five passes, this article will be passed over.

ARTICLE SEVEN: To see if the Town will vote under RSA 35:16-a to dissolve the School Fund for Support of the School District which was created by Town Meeting vote under Article 10 in 1948 for the support of the schools from proceeds from the sale of flowage rights Said funds, in the amount of \$89,500 plus accumulated interest, are to be transferred to the Town's general fund .

NOTE; In 1948 the town received \$4,200 from the sale of flowage rights on the two school lots and the Sara Moore Lot. The Town voted to turn this money over to the Trustees of Trust Funds to be used for the support of the school. The NH Attorney General's office advised that prior to 1983 towns in New Hampshire did not have the authority to create trust funds. This Article will dissolve the Trust Fund and the proceeds will be used to reduce taxes. The School will have a similar Article in their Warrant to create this trust fund, which will increase their taxes by the same amount. The effect of this Article is to turn over to the School District the funds that belong to them. The amount is slightly more than \$89,500.

ARTICLE EIGHT: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$66,000 for the purpose of conducting a town-wide property revaluation and furthermore to withdraw the sum of \$30,000 from the Revaluation Capital Reserve Fund, with the balance of \$36,000 to come from general taxation.

The Selectmen recommend this Article.

ARTICLE NINE: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$25,000 to pave a portion of Indian Pond Road.

ARTICLE TEN: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum Of \$25,000 to resurface gravel roads with 6 inches of gravel.

ARTICLE ELEVEN: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$3,010 for the Visiting Nurse Alliance of Vermont and New Hampshire.

ARTICLE TWELVE: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$600 for the White Mountain Mental Health Center.

ARTICLE THIRTEEN: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$950 for the support of the Community Action Outreach Program.

ARTICLE FOURTEEN: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$1,300 for the Grafton Senior Citizen Council.

ARTICLE FIFTEEN: To see if the Town will raise and appropriate the sum of \$300 to be paid to ACORN.

ARTICLE SIXTEEN: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate \$362 to be paid to the Lower Cohase Communication Committee to maintain a web site to promote Haverhill and Piermont, New Hampshire and Bradford and Newbury, Vermont.

ARTICLE SEVENTEEN: To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$500 to support the Woodsville Area Fourth of July Celebration

ARTICLE EIGHTEEN: To see if the Town will vote to establish a Recreation Expendable Trust Fund, subject to the provisions of RSA 31:19-a, for purposes of funding recreation facilities and activities, and to appoint the Selectmen as agents for the expenditure of this fund; and further, to raise and appropriate up to \$2,000 from the Town's undesignated fund balance as of December 31, 2006, to be placed in this fund..

The Selectmen recommend this Article.

ARTICLE NINETEEN: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$20,000 to be paid into the Bean Brook Bridge Expendable Trust Fund.

The Selectmen recommend this Article

ARTICLE TWENTY: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$5,000 to be paid into the Town Equipment Capital Reserve Fund.

The Selectmen recommend this Article

ARTICLE TWENTY-ONE: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$5,000 to be paid into the Town Bridge Capital Reserve Fund.

The Selectmen recommend this Article

ARTICLE TWENTY-TWO: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$10,000 to be paid into Town Fire and Emergency Vehicles Capital Reserve Fund.

The Selectmen recommend this Article.

ARTICLE TWENTY-THREE: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$5,000 to be paid into the Revaluation Capital Reserve Fund.

The Selectmen recommend this Article

ARTICLE TWENTY-FOUR: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum not to exceed \$2,000 to be paid into the Town Recycling Center/Transfer Station Expendable Trust, these funds to come from anticipated revenue raised from recycling and not to be raised from taxation.

The Selectmen recommend this Article

ARTICLE TWENTY-FIVE: To transact any other business that may legally come before the Meeting.

Given under our hand and seal of the Town of Piermont this 13th day of February, 2006

BOARD OF SELECTMEN

Jean D. Daley

Robert J. Lang

Dean W. Osgood

RETURN

We hereby attest that the within Warrant is a true copy of the Warrant for the Annual Town Meeting described therein and further certify that we have caused to be posted an attested copy of this Warrant at the place of the Meeting and a like copy at one other public place in the Town of Piermont fourteen days before the day of the Meeting, not counting the day of posting or the day of the Meeting.

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This Warrant and Return of Warrant have been duly recorded in the Office of the Town Clerk of Piermont, New Hampshire, this 13th day of February 2006

Town Clerk

**SUMMARY OF BUDGET FOR 2006
FOR INFORMATION PURPOSES ONLY. SEE POSTED BUDGET**

Town Charges	\$558,136
Visiting Nurse Alliance of VT & NH	3,010
White Mountain Mental Health	600
Community Action Outreach Program	950
Grafton Senior Citizens Council	1,300
ACORN	300
Woodsville 4 th of July Celebration	500
Lower Cohase Web Site	362
Revaluation	66,000
Preservation of Town Records	3,000
Police Cruiser- lease	7,863
Police Cruiser- purchase	21,000
Fire Engine	206,950
Paving a Portion of Indian Pond Road	25,000
Resurfacing Gravel Roads	25,000
 Town-Fire & Emergency Vehicles Capital Reserve Fund	 10,000
Revaluation Capital Reserve Fund	5,000
Bean Brook Bridge Expendable Trust Fund	20,000
Town Equipment Capital Reserve Fund	5,000
Town Bridge Capital Reserve Fund	5,000
Town Recycling Center/Transfer Station Expendable Trust Fund	2,000
Town Recreation Expendable Trust Fund	2,000
 Town Sub-total	 968,971
 Estimate of County Tax	 108,000
 TOTAL OF TOWN AND COUNTY	 \$1,076,971

BUDGET OF THE TOWN OF PIERMONT, N.H.

		Actual	
PURPOSES OF APPROPRIATION	Appropriations 2005	Expenditures 2005	Appropriation 2006
General Government:			
Town Officers Salaries	31,800	35,290.03	36,500
Town Officers Expenses	25,000	24,248.03	25,000
Election & Registration	3,000	1256.59	3,000
Expenses Town Buildings	25,000	25,276.78	25,000
Auditor Expense	7,500	7,500.00	7,500
Police Department (note 5)	25,955	24,685.34	58,387
Police Cruiser			28,863
Fire Engine			206,950
Fire Dept. inc. Forest Fires & Fast Squad	31,755	30,780.31	30,570
Planning & Zoning	22.5	4,446.03	10,000
Statistical Update	15,000	12,000	
Revaluation-full (30,000 to come from Cap Reserve)			66,000
Revaluation Year One	7,865	7865	
UVLSRPC	745	744.45	
Insurance	7,500	8,521.32	9,000
Preservation of Town Records	0		3000
Update Tax Map	800		800
Solid Waste Disposal (note 2)	38,449	17,520.92	35,102
Dispatch Services	6,451	6,450.95	6,964
VNAV TNH	3,010	3,010.00	3010
White Mt. Mental Health	600	600	600
UVA, Inc. (ambulance)	10,635	10,635.00	10,635
Hwys & Bridges Maintenance-Winter	60,000	87,853.93	60,000
Hwys & Bridges Maintenance-Summer	52,500	58,310.92	58,500
Street Lighting	4,700	4,989.43	5,500
Highway Subsidy (note 3)	33,398	33,397.35	32,413
Indian Pond Road	110,805	0	25,000
Church Street	60,000	66,810.60	
Gravel roads			25,000
Library:	32,000	32,000.00	33,500

Welfare	6,000	32,431.28	30,000
Memorial Day	600	386. 00	600
Lower Cohase Profile Task & Web Site	354	362	362
ACORN	300	300	300
Woodsville 4th of July	500	500	500
Community Action	950	950	950
Grafton Senior Citizen Council	1,300	1,300.00	1,300
Rec. Field & Swimming Pool	2,500	3,658.74	5,000
Cemeteries (note 1)	23,300	18,800.00	11,700
Unclassified:			
Damages & Legal Expenses	5,000	14,435.77	10,000
Sewer District (note 4)	26,858		40,365
Sewer District Note	497,000		
Contingency Fund	1,500		1,500
Dump Closure Project-Monitoring Wells	8,900	10,081.78	10,000
Taxes Bought by Town	0	41,552.48	
Capital Reserves	47,000	45,000	49,000
Misc. Unclassified Expense	500		500
Interest on Temp. Loans	100		100
Taxes Paid to County	95,000	104,908.00	108,000
TOTAL APPROPRIATIONS	1,334,630	778,859.03	1,076,971

Note 1 = Town raises 6,800 from taxes

Note 2= Expect 16,000 from sale of bages to offset this plus 500 from Recyeling Expendible Trust for building maintenance

Note 3= No tax money, State reimburses in full

Note 4= No tax money, Funds come from Users

Note 5= This will be reduced to 42,000 if the town passes Article 5 to lease/purchase a police cruiser

Yield Taxes	5,000	13,212.93	
Gravel Tax		50	
Penalties and interest		10,030.83	

Redemptions		32,381.86
Property Taxes	1,000,000	960,598.54
Insurance Refund	0	700
Resident Tax	4,000	3780
Current Use Changes	0	3093.15
Interest and Penalties	10,000	1,668.89
Electricity Refund from Library	800	1,107.08
Rooms & Meals & Revenue Sharing	20,000	26,000.91
Revenue Sharing	5,000	7,854.00
Highway Grant	33,398	25,718.51
Fed. Forest Land	2,675	3,191.00
Planning Board/ZBA Fees		
Reimbursed	0	554.04
Pay as You Throw Income	15,500	15,324.65
Recycling Income	1,500	2,755.22
Motor Vehicle Permit Fees	100,000	124,542.30
Dog Licenses	1,200	1,873.50
MA fees		2,410
Business Lic,Permits,Filing	500	100
Rent of Town Property	650	750
Income from Trust Funds	8,500	10,905.30
Interest on Deposits	1,000	
From Building Capital Reserve	15,000	
Grant received	3,370	5,445.40
In Lieu of Taxes		2,623.09
Capital Reserve Income		23,265.00
All Other Receipts including dump closeout	500	912.17
Subtotal	1,228,593.	1,279,936.20
Sewer District	26,858	51,980.07
Sewer District Note	497,000	
TOTAL REVENUES & CREDITS	1,752,451	1,331,916.27

2005 SUMMARY OF INVENTORY OF VALUATION

Land		
Current Use (at C.U. values)	897,933	
Conservation Restriction	153,306	
Residential	12,080,047	
Commercial/Industrial	627,355	
Buildings		
Residential	28,296,430	
Manufactured Housing	581,968	
Commercial/Industrial	2,853,600	
Public Utilities		
Electric (includes Phone-no land)	1,715,661	
Valuation Before Exemptions		47,206,300
Elderly Exemptions	242,500	
Solar Exemptions	1,950	
Total Exemptions		244,450
Net Valuation on Which Tax Rate is computed		46,961,850
Utilities		
Central Vermont Public Service	7,530	
Connecticut Valley Electric Co.	604,748	
New England Power Co.	692,124	
New Hampshire Electric Coop.	411,259	
Total	1,715,661	

2005 STATEMENT OF APPROPRIATIONS AND TAX RATE

Gross Property Tax	1,373,415	
Less War Service Credits	-5,000	
Net Property Tax Commitments	1,368,415	
Net School Appropriations	1,332,378	
Less Adequate Education Grant	-410,348	
State Education Taxes	-171,618	2,118,827
Town Tax Rate	7.40	
School Tax Rate	15.96	
State School Tax Rate	3.79	
County Tax Rate	2.21	
Total Tax Rate		29.36

**COMPARATIVE STATEMENT
OF APPROPRIATIONS AND EXPENDITURES
Fiscal Year Ending Dec. 31, 2005**

Title of Appropriations	Total Amt. Available	Expend-Itures	Unexpended Balance	Over Draft
Town Officers Salaries	31,800	35,290		3,,490
Town Officers Expenses	25,000	24,992	8	
Auditor Expense	7,500	7,500.00		
Election & Reg. Exp.	3,000	1,257	1,743	
Expenses of Town Bldgs.	25,000	25,277		277
Police Department	25,955	24,685	1,270	
Fire Department	32,255	30,780	1,475	
Planning & Zoning	22,500	4,446	18,054	
Sewer system update	497,000		497,000	
Insurance	7,500	8,521		1,021
Update Tax Map	800		800	
Solid Waste Disposal	38,449	32761	5,688	
Dispatch Services	6,451	6,451		
VNAV TNH	3,010	3,010		
Haverhill Area Teen/ACORN	300	300		
Upper Valley Ambulance	10,635	10,635		
White Mtn. Mental Hlth	600	600		
Highways & Bridges-Winter	60,000	87,854		27,854
Highways & Bridges-Summer	52,500	58,311		5,811
Highway Subsidy	33,398	33,398		
Street Lighting	4,700	4,989		289
Library	32,000	32,000		
Welfare	6,000	32,431		26,431
Village Sewer District	26,858	26,858		
Community Action (CAP)	950	950		
Grafton Senior Citizen	1,300	1,300		
Memorial Day	600	386	214	
Rec. Field & Swimming Pool	2,500	3,659		1,159
*Cemeteries	18,800	18,800		
Contingency Fund	1,500	0	1,500.	
Statistical update	15,000	12,000	3,000	
Revaluation year one	7,865	7,865		
Church Street Reconstruction	60,000	66,811		6,811
Woodsville 4 th of July	500	500		
Legal	5,000	14,436		9,436
UVALRPC	745	745		
Lower Cohase	362	362		
Dump Closure	5,900	10,082		4,182
Misc. Unanticipated Expenses	500		500	
Interest on Temporary Loans	100		100	
Bean Brook Expendable Trust	20,000	20,000		

Town Equip Capital Reserve	5,000	5,000		
Town Bridge Capital Reserve	5,000	5,000		
Fire & Emergency Vehicles	10,000	10,000		
Revaluation Capital Reserve	5,000	5,000		
Recycling Expendable Trust	2,000		2,000.	
Taxes Paid to County	95,000	104,908		9,908

TOTALS	1,216,833.	780,150.	533,352..	96,669.
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*The balance of this account comes from the Cemetery Fund Monies and is spent so that there is no unexpended balance.

SCHEDULE OF TOWN PROPERTY

Bldgs.-Selectmen-Library, FireDept.,Hwy.Garage	188,400.00
Furniture & Equipment	13,800.00
Land-Selectmen-Library, Fire Dept.,Hwy.Garage	41,400.00
Equipment-Fire Department	228,000.00
Old Church, Lands and Buildings	53,000.00
Bean Brook Road Land	16,300.00
Highway Equipment	94,000.00
Parks, Commons and Playgrounds	27,000.00
Schools, Lands and Buildings	603,500.00
Cemeteries	28,500.00
Piermont Sewage District Land	1,300.00
Fire Ponds	12,300.00
Connecticut River Lot (School Lot)	16,000.00
Sarah Moore Lot	34,000.00
Open Space Lot (Glebe Lot)	41,500.00
TOTAL	1,399,000.00

FINANCIAL REPORT
of the Town of Piermont, N.H.
County of Grafton
For the Calendar Year ended December 31, 2005

ASSETS

Cash:		
In the Hands of the Treasurer	157,123	
CD (property sold)	30,180	
Taxes Receivable (net of Allowance for Uncollectible		
Taxes	531,388	
Prepaid Items	5,649	
TOTAL OF ASSETS		724,340

LIABILITIES

Intergovernmentfund Payable	451,030	
Interfund Payable	2,317	
Note Payable	110,000	
Accounts Payable	24,819	
Deferred Tax Revenue	10	
TOTAL LIABILITIES		588,176

EQUITY

Fund Balance		
Unreserved		
Undesignated		136,164
TOTAL LIABILITIES AND EQUITY		724,340

TOWN CLERKS REPORT 2005

SUBMITTED TO TREASURER

Motor Vehicle Registrations (1,178)	124,332.30
Motor Vehicle Titles (105)	210.00
Dog Licenses (189)	1,873.50
State sticker fees	2,410.00
Other (Fees, Permits, Zoning Books, etc.)	470.95
	129,296.75

REMINDER***ALL DOGS OVER 4 MONTHS OLD MUST BE LICENSED.
2006 TAGS ARE IN AND YOU NEED PROOF OF RABIES TO OBTAIN LICENSE

TAX COLLECTOR'S REPORT

Fiscal Year Ending December 31,2005

Uncollected taxes –Beg of Year		
Property Taxe		102,623.03
Résident Taxes		260
	Utility	362.5
Revenues Committed –This Year		
	Property Taxes	1,368,120.42
	Resident Taxes	4500
	Land Use Change	6,243.15
	Yield Taxes	14,083.69
Excavation Taxes		50
	Utilities	26,935.50
Overpayments:		
Property Taxes		287.18
Interest Collected on Delinquent Taxes		588.16 4,285.60
Penalties Collected		1,858.24 1,440.86
TOTAL DEBITS		1,422,666.34 108,971.99

CREDITS

Remitted to Treasurer During Fiscal Year:	This Year	Prior Years
Property Taxes	857,249.84	64,117.35
Resident Taxes	3480	260
Land Use Change	3,018.15	
Yield Taxes	13,212.93	
Excavation Taxes	50	
Utilities	22,006.83	362.5
Interest	588.16	4,285.60
Penalties	1,858.24	1,440.86
Conversion to LIEN	38,505.68	
Abatements Made:		
	Land use change	1,500.00
	Resident Taxes	260
	Utilities	407.92

Uncollected Rev – Year End

Property Taxes	511,157.76
Resident Taxes	760
Land use change	1,725.00
Yield taxes	870.76

Utilities	4,520.75
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TOTAL CREDITS	1,422,666.34	108,971.99
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TAX SALE/LIEN ON ACCOUNT OF LEVIES

Unredeemed Taxes-Bal at Beg of Fiscal Year	18,030.01
Liens Sold or Executed During Fiscal Year	41,552.48
Interest Collected After Execution	3,170.52
TOTAL DEBITS	62,753.01

CREDITS

Remittance to Treasurer:	33,276.66
Abatements	131.89
Interest Collected	3,170.52
Unredeemed Taxes on Initial Lien	26,173.94
TOTAL CREDITS	62,753.01

Linda Lambert , Tax Collector

TREASURER'S REPORT

Taxes - Current Year 2005

Property	852,385.87
Resident	3,520.00
Gravel Tax	50.00
Yield	13,212.93
In Lieu of Taxes	2623.09
Pénalties and Interest	10,030.83

Taxes - Prior Years

Property	108,212.67
Resident	260.00
Current Use	3,093.15
Yield Tax	0.00
Redemptions	32,381.86

State and Federal

Revenue Distribution	7,854.00
Block Grant	25,718.51
Forestry	3,191.00
Capital Reserve Income	23,265.00
Rooms and Meals	26,000.91

Other Sources

Rent of Town Property	750.00
Motor Vehicles	124,542.30
MA Fees	2,410.00
Dog Licenses and Fees	1,873.50
Recycling	2,755.22
Grant received	5,445.40
Zoning	201.52
Pay as you Throw	15,324.65
Trust Funds	10,905.30
Planning Board Fees	352.52
Building Permits	100.00
Insurance Rebate	700.00
Library-Electricity	1,107.08
Interest Income	1,668.89
Outstanding bad check	-20.00
Other	932.17
Total Receipts	1,280,848.37
Amount of note payable	110,000.00
Beginning Balance	419,359.38
Total	1,810,207.75

Held in Trust- pending court disbursement	30,000.00
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Less Expenditure	1,676,831.81
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Balance December 31, 2005	133,375.94
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James A. Lambert, Treas.; Town of Piermont

STATEMENT OF ORDERS DRAWN BY SELECTMEN ON TREASURER

Town Officers Salaries

Jean D. Daley	Selectman	1,800.00	
Robert J. Lang	Selectman	1,800.00	
Dean W. Osgood	Selectman	1,800.00	
Linda Lambert	Town Clerk	18,094.00	
Linda Lambert	Tax Collector	6360.00	
James Lambert	Treasurer	1,500.00	
Jean D. Daley	Bookkeeper	1,500.00	
Wayne Godfrey	Animal Control Officer	1036.03	
Terry Robie	Zoning Administrator	1,000.00	
Fred Shipman	Trust Fund Trustee	400.00	
Total			35,290.03

Auditor Expenses

7,500.00

Town Officers' Expenses

AT&T	Telephone	477.01
BMSI	Seminars/Support/Software	2503.72
Chase Credit Card	Supplies	519.40
Piermont School District	Reimb. Town report	765.30
Fletcher Printing	Town Report	3156.86
Ellen Divan	Office help	45.00
Branham Publishing	Books	64.80
IDS	Dog tags	87.29
Giddings Mfg.	Signs	83.00
Jean Daley	Reimbursements	151.75
Wayne Godfrey	Reimbursements	239.05
Linda Lambert	Reimbursements	861.34
Martins Flag	Flags	195.55
Matthew Bender & Co.	Books	337.70
Verizon	Phone	1088.00
NEBS	Checks	166.21
NHTCA	Seminar Fee/Dues	160.00
NH Assoc. Assessors	Dues	20.00
NH Assoc. of Town Clerks	Dues	45.00
NH Dept. of Agriculture	Dog Licenses	513.00
NH Tax Collectors Assoc.	Dues,	20.00
NH DES	Testing Lakes	580.00
NH DOS	Books	140.50
New England Micrographics	Microfilm storage	75.00
Commerford Nieder Perkins	Assessing	1260.00
Peggy Fullerton	Office help	139.50
Philatelic Fulfillment Center	Stamped Envelopes	421.70
Postmaster	Postage & box rents	1877.00

Plymouth Village Water & Sewer	Annual Fee	100.00
Conferences	Townclerk taxcollector	820.00
Bank Charges	Fees	20.00
Register of Deeds	Recording Fees	235.67
Town of Hanover	Monitoring Fee	425.00
Tuck Press	Notices	339.49
Stonecliff Animal Clinic	Stray kitten	256.00
Upper Valley Humane Society	Stray dogs	350.00
UVLSRPC	Dues	744.45
Woodsville Guaranty Savings Bank	Box Rent & Fees	67.50
Woodsville Guaranty Savings Bank	Fica	3531.08
Abigale Underhill	Dog Cage	50.00
Charter Communications	Internet	749.85
Chris Davidson	Reimburse Postage	74.40
Johns Auto Repair	Steeple Damage on Car	700.00
Lexis Nexis Matthew Bender	Updates for law books	672.24
Moosilauke Apparel	Animal control shirts	84.75
Ross Business Center	Copier repair	334.95
Helga Mueller	Selectmen Minutes	595.00
NHMA	Dues	533.45
Oakes Bros Inc	Materials	37.70
Misc	Expences	2363.82
Total		28,546.03
Statistical Update		12,000.00
Revaluation		7,865.00
Election and Registration		
Ace Blueprint Services		94
Everett Jesseman		90
Louis Hobbs		90
Rose Macri		63
Peggy Fullerton		108
Linda Lambert		201
Ellen Divan		81
Vea Jenks		90
S. Arnold Shields		108
Four Corners Store		119.09
Tuck Press		212
Total		1256.09
Town Buildings		
CVEC/PSNH	Electricity	3175.40
Perry's Oil	Old Church Bldg.	837.65
John Metcalf	Labor	1203.00
Wayne Godfrey	Cleaning	531.98

K&R Portable Toilets	Port-a-Potty rental	1020.00
Oakes Bros. Inc.	Supplies	16.23
Jim Raper	Carpest cleaned	167.70
Jean Daley	Supplies	5.30
C.M.Davidson	Repair water at garage	175.00
Chris Davidson	Painting lines for parking	554.00
KDD Auto Parts, Inc	Odor eaters	102.62
Alarmco	Repairs	60.60
Bob Lang	Snow & Brush Removal	190.00
Linda Lambert	Paint	16.97
EBS	Electrical work	1119.65
Verizon	Old Church Bldg.	479.83
Patten's Propane	Library Furnace	1306.35
Terry Robie	Repairs	9270.00
Oakes Bros. Inc.	Supplies	119.43
Visa	Xmas tree lights	386.52
Chris Jacobs	Trim Xmas Tree	40.00
Piermont Sewer	Sewer.	1945.00
Total		21,723.23

Police Department

John Metcalf	Labor & Expenses	11,121.53
Steve Medeiros	Labor & Expenses	11,035.88
Verizon	Telephone	479.74
Pikcomm Communications	Pagers	405.00
Dons Auto Repair	Repair Siren	18.00
Gall's Inc.	Supplies	184.76
NH Dept. of Safety	Certification & books	91.00
Ossipee Mountain Elec	Light bar & install radio	191.71
Postmaster	Box Rent	36.00
Quartermaster	Equipment	40.60
Charter	Internet	358.91
Misc	Computer & Supplies	722.21
Total		24,685.34

Planning and Zoning Boards

Journal Opionion	Notices	414.23
Helga Mueller	Secretary/Expenses	750.00
Register of Deeds	Recording	42.00
Gardner Fulton & Waugh	ZBA Camp Walt Whitman	3003.12
UVLSRPC	Regulations	112.00
Postmaster	ZBA Box Rent	24.00
LGC	Subscription	38.00
Tuck Press	notices	62.68

Total		4,446.03
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Fire Department

NAPA of Bradford	Parts	117.88
Orford Service Center	Batteries	167.90
Charter Communications	Internet	551.39
CVEC/PSNH	Electricity	1336.30
Station House Supply Inc	Supplies	515.95
Don's Auto	Inspections	195.00
Perry's Oil Service	Propane	97.66
Ryegate Fire Dept.	Arson Training	20.00
Fairlee Fire Brigade	Dues	250.00
Four Corners Store	Gasoline	588.96
Frontline Fire & Rescue	Clothes/Equipment	6926.03
Pikcomm Communications	Install radio	800.16
Dingee Machine	Supplies	3756.10
Oakes Bros. Inc.	Materials	126.12
Fire Tech & Safety NE	Material	153.00
Ferguson Waterworks	Dry Hydrant	1235.02
GRS Auto	Repairs	524.92
Perry's Oil Service	Fuel Oil	2167.03
KDD Auto Parts, Inc.	Parts	169.19
C,M,Davidson	Fire pond	1184.83
Motorola	Radio/Pager repairs	156.00
N.H. State Firemen's Assoc.	Dues	180.00
Treasurer State of NH	Lights & Inspection	307.80
Twin State Mutual Aid	Dues	200.00
UVRESA Inc	Dues	50.00
Verizon & AT&T	Telephone	339.34
Wayne Godfrey	Fire Chief Salary	1500.00
Piermont Fire Dept	Reimbursement	70.00
Bradford Health	Hepatitis Shots	152.00
Cottage Hospital	Hepatitis shots	157.70
Battery Zone	Batteries	57.00
Pufco	Foam	150.00
Roy Belyea	Fire Warden	83.00
Vermont Fire Technologies	Parts	187.45
Visa	Parts & Signs	1995.18
Simplex Grinnell	Cylinder hydro test	40.75
VISA	Parts/signs	1995.18
Perry's Oil	Propane	297.66
Aaron Rich	Firemen	163.39
Austin Hogan	Firemen	370.41
Bruce Henry	Firemen	477.22
Glen Putnam	Firemen	226.58
Jeff Huntington	Firemen	388.44
Jim Putnam	Firemen	271.57
Keith Brick	Firemen	660.55
Matthew Prince	Firemen	318.18

Michelle Metcalf	Firemen	250.68	
Roy Belyea	Firemen	305.29	
Stephen Madeiros	Firemen	56.60	
Steven Daly	Firemen	390.97	
Wayne Godfrey	Firemen	1452.79	
Sub total			34,135.17
Homeland Grant for Fire Dept			-3370.40
Total			30,765.17

Fast Squad

Ellen Putnam	EMS Conference	100.00	
Bound Tree Corporation	Supplies	1856.33	
Cardiac Science	supplies	337.15	
Merriam Graves	Oxygen	53.26	
Postmaster	Box Rent	24.00	
Tom Elliott	Supplies	221.75	
Upper Valley Ambulance	CPR training	50.00	
Total			2,642.49

Insurance

N.H.M.A.	6726.42	
Primex-Workers Compensation	1794.90	
Total		8521.32

Library

32,000.00

Solid Waste Disposal

Floyd Marsh	Trucking Recyclables	300.00
CVEC/PSNH	Electricity	223.11
White River Paper	Plastic Bags	2707.70
Northeast Resource Recovery	Paper removal	1273.53
Linda Martin	Labeling bags	112
C M Davidson	Glass bunker	3970
NH State Treasurer	Recertifications	50
Alicia Chapin	Labeling bags	120.00
Advanced Recycling	Trucking Recyclables	400.00
Oakes Bros. Inc.	Supplies	331.45
Don's Auto	Tire disposal	197.50
Northeast Quality Products Comp	Labels	625.80
Peintures Recuperees	Paint Disposal	332.64
John Metcalf	Labor	1459.83
John Metcalf	Mileage	63.18
Normandeau Trucking	Waste Disposal	12513.75
North Country Council	Hazardous Waste Disposal	891.32
Rick Stygles	Labor	2615.08
Shane Stygles	Labor	1366.67
Wayne Godfrey	Labor	4426.21

Randy Dunbar	Labor	430.60	
Perry's Oil	Propane	44.49	
D & E Lumber	Lumber	140.40	
C.M. Whitcher Rubbish Removal	Glass hauler	300.00	
EBS Partnership	Electrical	90.31	
Sub-Total			34,985.57

Pay as you throw Income			-15239.65
Recycling Expendable Trust	Compactor Box		-300
Grant	Glass bunker		-1925
Total			17,520.92

Dispatch Service			6,450.95
Visiting Nurse Alliance of VT & NH			3,010.00
White Mountain Mental Health			600.00
Haverhill Area Teen Center			300.00
Ambulance Service			10,635.00
Highway Department-Winter			87,853.93
Highway Department-Summer			58,310.92
Street Lights			4,989.43
Highway Subsidy			33,397.35
Welfare			32,431.28
Community Action Outreach			95.00
Grafton Senior Citizen Council			1,300.00
Memorial Day			386.00
Total			207,328.58

Recreation Field & Swimming Pool

K & R Portable Toilets	Port-a-Potty Rental	172.50	
John Metcalf	Labor	1,186.24	
Bob Lang	Labor & supplies	150.00	
Ballfield	Expenses	2,310.00	
NH DES	Testing Pool	40.00	
Bill Daley	Donation towards field		-200.00
Total			3,658.74

Misc Expences

Cemeteries			18,800
Damages & Legal Expense			14,435.77
Church Street Reconstruction			66,810.60
Lower Cohase			362.00
Woodsville 4 th of July			500.00
Miscellaneous Unclassified Expense	Taxes bought by town		41,552.48
Dump Well Monitoring			10,081.78
School District			875,460.00
County Tax			104,908.00
Total			1,611,108.88

**Road Agent Expenditures
Regular account 2005**

Winter Budget

Equipment

C.M. Davidson, Inc..... \$50,131.91
Don's Auto repair \$75.00

Sub-total..... \$50,206.91

Aggregates

Blaisdell Sand & Gravel \$4,365.65
Beatti \$2,385.62
Cargill salt..... \$14,651.68
Blaktop (cold patch)..... \$367.86
Pike \$215.65
Martin \$1,688.70

Sub-total..... \$23,675.06

Repairs

KDD Napa \$612.36
Lawson \$61.82
Milton Cat (grader) \$1,917.68
Franklin Welding (plow blade)..... \$700.00
Robco(plow blade)..... \$603.00
Kibby Equipment..... 867.00

Sub-total..... \$4,761.86

Misc.

Pikcomm \$286.50
Bradford Oil..... \$1,002.68
Perry's..... \$465.89
Patten's gas \$998.12
Misc \$6,456.91

Sub-total..... \$9,210.10

Total expenditures..... **\$87,853.93**

Summer Budget:

Equipment

C.M. Davidson, Inc.....	\$18,456.98
Lee Waterhouse	\$3,819.00
Bigalow paving.....	\$5,500.00

Sub-total..... \$27,775.98

Aggregates

Blaisdell Sand & Gravel	\$1,569.56
Pike Industries.....	\$19,798.55
W.B. & R.L. Martin.....	\$1,326.52
Warren Sand & Gravel.....	\$210.00

Sub-total..... \$22,904.63

Misc.

REDHED (pipe,culverts)	\$349.12
Lawson.....	\$116.80
Arthur Whitcomb.....	\$446.17
N.Haverhill Agway.....	\$650.84
Repairs & Maintenance.....	\$923.16
Fuel & Oil	\$725.68
Electric.....	\$872.91
Misc	\$3,545.63

Sub-total..... \$7,630.31

Total expenditures..... \$58,310.92

Budget..... \$52,500.00

Deficit/surplus..... \$ 5,810.92

**Road Agent expenditures
Highway Subsidy account 2005**

Equipment

C.M. Davidson, Inc.....	\$11,103.08
Bigalow paving	\$4,054.10
Sub-total.....	<u>\$15,157.18</u>

Aggregates

Blaisdell Sand & Gravel	\$2,091.90
W.B. & R.L. Martin.....	\$1,943.96
Warren Sand & Gravel.....	\$735.00
Pike Ind.....	\$8,815.18
Sub-total.....	<u>\$13,586.04</u>

Misc.

Repairs & Maintenance.....	\$2,500.00
Fuel & Oil	\$587.96
Electric	\$97.48
Misc	\$1,324.36
Sub-total.....	<u>\$4,509.80</u>

Total expenditures.....	\$33,253.02
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Budget.....	\$33,397.35
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Deficit/ surplus	\$144.33 cash on hand
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Road Agent Town of Piermont

In my 10 years as Road Agent I have somehow managed to stay within budget... then comes 2005. The Winter Budget was 31% over expectations, the Summer Budget and Church Street reconstruction were both around 10% over budget. The big question is why? Most of the line items on the Church Street were across the board increases, this I must go to increase in fuel prices for the cause. Fuel prices obviously affect every aspect of our project, all materials prices went up congruent with the price of fuel.

The summer was over budget before the year even started. There was an invoice from Pike Industries for Church Street 2004 project that was lost in the shuffle. I didn't realize it wasn't paid until well after the Church Street account was well closed. I paid the +/- \$10,000 out of the 2005 summer budget. I tried to accommodate the deficit by cutting back out planned projects but again fuel added to the expected cost of doing normal maintenance, and we ran over. I tried to limit activities but there are some operations that we must complete. We did spend a significant amount of time preparing for hurricanes, particularly Katrina. After I saw the devastation on TV we spent four days of 12 to 14 hour days preparing. This included ditch cleaning, clearing dead trees from roadsides, clearing the brooks upstream of our bridges of fallen trees, and the like. As it turned out we did not get the full possibilities of any of the hurricanes, but it would only take a look to southern NH to realize what could have been.

I will revisit that the winter budget is only an expectation. In 2003 the selectman agreed that because winter in New England is impossible to predict an accurate budget would also be impossible to predict. We developed a two budget process, in that the winter budget would be an expectation amount and that we cannot be confined by a set dollar amount. As seen simply by the winter salt expenses (Cargill Salt) purchases were double of previous purchases. We also had to replenish the sand pile supply in mid-late February. February of 2005 was the first month ever that at least one piece of equipment was out every day of the month, January was close behind it. December of 2005 was also was very active. Although total precipitations were only slightly above average, it was small amount every day.

I sincerely apologize for the overruns; I also am a taxpayer and feel the crunch. Although I have been rightfully heavily criticized by the overruns; I don't think I would have changed my decisions with exception of raising the original budget.

The 2006 goals are agonizingly similar to 2005, but I am going to approach it in different way. The only paving projects undertaken in 05' were that of Church Street. Although it was my intent to pave some on Lily Pond and Indian Pond, the aforementioned Pike billing and hurricane prep wiped out the plans. As seen in the 2004 road agent report I had budgeted \$24,000 for aggregates. Over \$36,000 was spent. As the price of fuel skyrocketed last summer so did the price of pavement. As we all know Bituminous Concrete Pavement is predominantly an oil based product, and indirectly the cost of the stone and sand also rose for the increase for trucking, mining etc.

I do budget some for spring conditions, but Cape Moonshine alone swallowed almost \$10,000 alone for repairs. One repair entailed excavating the entire width of road, about 100' long, about 2.5' deep. The approach would be to put paving in as its own Article. If

approved the money would have to go towards paving. Pavement prices are so volatile at this time I cannot guarantee how much the price will be. The portions to be paved would be to skim pave Indian Pond from the Fields residence to Piermont Heights Road, and a section on the hill. If there is any left over we will pave wear course on Lily Pond. Another Article is for Aggregates for gravel roads. The surface on a lot of the roads disappear over time due to erosion, the subbase yielding and mixing, the grading operation, and just plain old traffic. I would like to start a process in which we add 4"-6" to some areas of the gravel roads. These areas can be spotted by constant potholes, and chatter bumps. We do appropriate some gravel for normal grading operations, but this is only spotted loads and we only apply about an inch of material to cover subgrade, reestablish crown, or mix larger aggregates to prevent erosion. I know taxes were a surprise to a lot of people this year so I want to put as much in the hands of the voters as possible.

The winter budget expectations for 2006 will be \$60,000. The requested summer budget is \$58,500 simply broken down as follows:

Replace numerous culverts around town	\$23,000
Grading	\$12,000
Mowing	\$ 4,500
Aggregates	\$30,000
Electric/fuel	\$ 6,000
Repairs	\$ 2,000
Spring repairs	\$ 7,000
Misc	\$ 3,000
Totals	\$88,500 +/- \$30,00 will be offset by the subsidy account.

Chris Davidson
Road Agent

PIERMONT SEWAGE DISTRICT
Financial Reports - 2005 Receipts:

Interest on checking & savings accounts	1,034.66	
Fees & Interest Collected	22,452.67	
Total Receipts		23,487.33

Cash on Hand January 1, 2005		33,594.37
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Payments:

John Metcalf	Labor	7,072.50
Donald Smith	Labor	2,272.00
WGSB	FICA Expense	814.14
Woodard & Curran/SPEX	Testing	4,089.00
Gardner Fulton & Waugh	Legal services	1,998.75
Boudreault	Pumping Tanks	1,575.00
PSNH	Electricity	138.26
Woodard & Curran	Engineering & design	24,193.86
John Metcalf & Donald Smith	Mileage	1,736.22
Primex	Workers Comp.	213.00
Various	Maintenance	774.00
Various	Operating Supplies	1,095.20
Jean Daley	Bookkeeping	300.00
Linda Lambert	Tax Collector	300.00
NH Treasurer	Operators Training	243.99
NH Treasurer	Licenses & Permits	150.00
NH DES	Violation Fees	1,800.00
Valley News & Journal Opinion	Posting Notices	1,116.74
Telephone		14.37
NHMBB	Note Payment	2,083.04

Total Payments		51,980.072
Cash on Hand December 31, 2005-Checking account		4,756.29
Cash on Hand December 31, 2005-Savings account		345.34

Sewage Department – 2006 Budget

Operation & Maintenance:	
Operating Supplies	600
Operator's Salary	7,488
Assistant Operator's Salary	3,200
FICA Expense	750
Waste Water Testing	6,825
Waste Water Testing Mileage	1,940
Bookkeeping	300
Tax Collector	300
Legal Expense	300
Electricity	300
Pumping Tanks	1,800
Mowing & Cleanup	800
Violation Fees	800
Land Lease	1,500
Miscellaneous	250
Subtotal	27,153
Engineering Design	39,000
Construction	333,000
Engineering Construction	59,000
Legal and Administration	1,500
Paid by State Loan	171,710
DES & USDA Grants	274,290
Long Term Debt- NHMBB	2,042
Long Term Debt- Upgrade	11,170
Sewage Fees for 2006:	
Long Term Debt- 35.5 units at 314.65	11,170
Long Term Debt: 35.5 Units at 57.53	2,042
Operation & Maintenance: 34 Units at \$798.62	27,153

PIERMONT PUBLIC LIBRARY
ANNUAL REPORT - 2005

During 2005, the Piermont Public Library collection has been expanded by 556 new titles and consist now of 13,875 items, half of the additional titles were donations with the remainder purchased by library funds. The annual circulation for the town was 9,940; the circulation for the Piermont Village School was 1,900 books.

The library hosts Pre-school Story Time on Wednesday mornings, serves students from the Piermont Village School during school hours, and is open to the public Monday - Thursday from 3-7PM and Sundays from 1-3PM.

In an effort to serve the varied interests and needs of patrons, the library is a member of the New Hampshire Inter-library Loan (ILL) and the Libraries of the Upper Valley (LUV- a rotating collection of videos and audio books). In addition to these fine programs, high-speed internet and photo copying services are available to the public.

During the fall and winter of '05, the library offered support to the Piermont Village School in curriculum areas: Westward Movement, the Civil War, Medieval Times/Middle Ages. Events throughout 2005 include: Listen and Draw Program: Stories and Art led by artist Nilda Gomez; Book Discussions led by Stephanie Gordon and Joe Medlicott; Memorial Day Book Sale; Hikes of Piermont led by Helga Mueller including an historic tour of Piermont Village; Fish and Game Moose Program presented by Kris Bontaites; and the Russian Doll Painting Workshop led by Marina Forbes, New England Language Center, Rochester, NH.

Library staff and community thank those volunteers who assist in shelving, filing book cards, making displays and bringing their creative expertise to the library. A special appreciation goes to the following: Helga Mueller, Joyce Tompkins, Liz Smith, Betty Hall, Mary Jane Douglas, and others. Thank you to the Haverhill Garden Club for the Christmas swags and maintaining the lovely flower tub in front of the library and to Charles Lyons for donating a Dell Inspiron laptop computer, our second.

Library Board of Trustees includes the following members: Helga Mueller, Marian Shields, Joe Medlicott, Stephanie Gordon, Betty Hall, Joyce Tompkins, and Nancy Sandell. We appreciate their tireless service to our community. A special thank you goes to Kay Wescott and Cindy Piro, board members who resigned in the spring of 2005.

This year brought a change of staff. We thank Maureen Byrne for seven years of dedicated service as librarian. In July, The Board of Trustees hired Margaret Ladd as librarian with Jim Meddaugh continuing on as assistant librarian.

Residents are encouraged to take advantage of the many offerings and services at our library.

**PIERMONT PUBLIC LIBRARY FINANCIAL REPORT
EXPENDITURES: JANUARY-DECEMBER 2005**

LIBRARY EMPLOYEES:

Librarian	14,130.00
Assistant Librarian	6,286.50
Social Security & Medicare	1,561.86
Workers Compensation	39.00

LIBRARY SERVICES:

Books	3,451.73
Magazines & Newspapers	405.72
Audio/Video	478.65

PROGRAMS/PROJECTS:

277.00

OFFICE EXPENSE:

Office Supplies	665.74
Office Equipment	1,469.48
Accounting Fees	1,995.00
Advertising	31.00
Postage/Box Rental	94.55
Miscellaneous	293.63

MAINTENANCE:

Cleaning Service	1,200.00
Snow Removal	50.00
Landscaping	100.00

UTILITIES:

Electricity	874.85
Fuel Oil	1,500.00
Telephone	663.85
Internet Service	299.50

PROFESSIONAL SERVICES

Travel	66.80
Dues and Fees	35.00
Course Fees	<u>210.00</u>

TOTAL EXPENDITURES

36,179.86

REVENUE: JANUARY – DECEMBER 2005

Patron's Donations and Gifts	6.00
Fines and Replacements	61.39
Copier Fees	34.09
Book Sales	61.10
Encumbered Funds Prior Year	
Programs for Public	
Transfer for Non-fiction	3,074.79
Piermont School	700.00
Miscellaneous Income	122.80
Town Appropriation	<u>32,000.00</u>
 TOTAL REVENUE	 36,060.17
 CASH ON HAND DECEMBER 31, 2005	 8,077.61

PIERMONT PUBLIC LIBRARY FINANCIAL REPORT PROPOSED BUDGET: JANUARY-DECEMBER 2006

Wages	
24,464.00	
Social Security and Medicare	1,720.00
Workers Compensation	80.00
Library Materials	5,850.00
Office Expenses	2,400.00
Maintenance	2,200.00
Electricity	1,000.00
Fuel oil	2,250.00
Telephone & Internet	1,050.00
Professional Services	850.00
Programs for Public	400.00
Miscellaneous	<u>570.00</u>
 TOTAL PROPOSED BUDGET	 42,834.00

POLICE REPORT 2005

During 2005 Officer Steve Medeiros and I responded to over 280 incidents or requests for service. Requests received for police assistance ranged from vin number verification, bad checks, domestic assaults, breaking and entry as well as requests for information or specification.

DURING MY 9 YEARS OF SERVICE TO THE Town, the number of responses by your police department increased from over 160 responses to the number mentioned above.

Piermont Police Dept. and the residents of Piermont have established a sound working relationship with NH State Police, Grafton County Sheriff's Dept. and with local Police Depts. In Warren, Orford and Haverhill, as well as Vermont State Police and Bradford Police Dept.

The Piermont Fire Dept's fire fighters have been there to assist the Police Dept when needed, as have Officer John Monahon of the NH Division of motor vehicles and Office Greg Jellison of the NH Fish and Game Dept.

There will be changes in the Piermont Police Dept. as it grows to meet the Towns needs. We believe the changes will result in positive service to us all.

Respectfully submitted,
John Metcalf and Steve Medeiros

P.S. I thank each resident and the Selectmen for their support during my years of Police service in Piermont

John Metcalf retired Officer in Charge for Piermont.

REPORT OF THE JLMC

On September 28, 2005, an inspector from the Department of Labor appeared in town and informed the town clerk that the town was not in compliance with RSA 281-A; 64. No Safety Summary Form on File or no safety committee set up for the town. The town must comply within 20 business days or face fines. We responded and asked for an extension to comply and were granted an extension until December 12, 2005.

Myself and Selectman Osgood met and went over the requirements that we need to do to come into compliance. After talking to the inspector from the Department of Labor, we decided we needed at least one more member on the committee. Austin Hogan was asked if he would be on the committee to represent the firefighters. Wayne Godfrey would serve as the representative of the Recycling as a Supervisor. Dean Osgood was a representative of the selectmen/town.

We met officially for an Organizational Meeting on December 6, 2005. We went over the requirements for the Joint Loss Management Committee (JLMC). One thing we had to do was make a Mission Statement for the town, which is in the town clerk's office, the recycling office, the police office, and the fire station. By law, the committee has to meet quarterly. The next meeting is to be held in March of this year, at the fire station and is open to the public. We submitted the needed paperwork on December 7 by certified mail. As of this writing, we have not heard from the state if we are in compliance at this time.

Respectfully submitted,

Wayne Godfrey, Chairman

2005 FIRE CHIEF'S REPORT

Dear Citizens of Piermont, I submit my final report to the town as Fire Chief. Having taken a new job and working nights, has made it very difficult to attend all the drills and meetings necessary to be Fire Chief. Therefore, as of December 31 of this year, I stepped down as Fire Chief. It was actually costing me money to stay as Fire Chief, with time lost at work, etc.

The state has now changed their mind about the radios they were promising us.. We will not be getting all the new radios, because they are too costly and they had to cut back on the program so every town got at least one new radio. So now we have a mismatch of radios. We are in worse shape than before the state said they were going to improve our radios.

One item that we replaced this year through our budget was our portable pump. Our present portable pump was a 1940 vintage and was getting very difficult to find parts or someone to work on it.

On a separate warrant article, we will be asking to replace our Engine/Pumper with a new one. The cost is \$206,950. We requested proposals from five companies, three of which responded with proposals. The highest being \$275,920. We chose to go with Dingee Machine who was the low bidder, and someone we had worked with before. The firefighters voted to put in \$7,500 toward the cost of the truck. There is about \$61,000 in the Capital Reserve Fund to go toward this, leaving money needed at \$138,450. It is estimated using last year's tax rate, your taxes would increase 68 cents per thousand or \$68 per \$100,000 of assessed value for a 5-year loan or \$38.00 for ten years. It was estimated if we were to lose our insurance rating, your rates would increase 4 – 5 times what they are now, if you could get coverage. This is directly from an insurance company, not something I made up.

We are still looking for volunteers. Although we are growing slowly, we still need help. If interested in joining, please contact Chief Brick or see any fireman. Our meetings are on the first Monday of the month at 7:30, unless the first Monday is a holiday, then it's held on the following day.

Calls for service this year were up slightly over last year. They break down as follows: 11 car accidents, 9 mutual aid calls, 1 grass fire, 1 grass fire/arson, 1 flooded basement, 2 fire alarm activations, 1 standby no phone service, 1 truck fire, 1 chimney fire, 1 miscellaneous, 1 gasoline leak, 2 powerline calls, 2 smoke in the building, for a total of 34 calls.

I'd like to thank the citizens of Piermont, the Board of Selectman, the Police Department, the Fast Squad, and the Road Agent for their support over the years.

Respectfully submitted,
Wayne Godfrey, Fire Chief, Retired

PROPOSED FIRE DEPARTMENT BUDGET 2006

Telephone	400
Heating oil and propane	3400
Electricity	1600
Payroll	5500
Fire Chief Salary	600
FICA	500
Forestry	900
Hepatitis B shots	1000
Radio repairs and supplies	1500
Training	1000
Mileage	500
New Equipment	6000
Fire Ponds	1000
State Firefighters Assco. dues	220
Internet access	600
Gasoline	750
Test Equipment	300
Truck supplies and repairs	2000
Mutual aid dues	250
Air compressor	250
Computer supplies	150
Fast squad	2000
Misc.	150
TOTAL BUDGET	\$30,570

FAST SQUAD REPORT 2005

The FAST Squad responded to forty-one emergency calls during the past year, up slightly from last years thirty-eight. July was our busiest month with nine calls. As in other years, I would like to remind everyone that we're just a phone call away and are available 24 hours a day. If there is any question as to the need for medical assistance, please pick up the phone and dial 911. Help will be dispatched immediately.

I am quite pleased to announce that the FAST Squad now has 6 members. Our newest members are Alex Medlicott, Barbara Fitzpatrick, and John Monaghan. Alex and Barb took their class through Upper Valley Ambulance while John took his through Woodsville Ambulance. Nancy Cole upgraded her certification from First Responder to that of an EMT-Basic last year. Because there is no "Bridge" class available for this upgrade, Nancy also took and completed the EMT course last year, along with Alex and Barb. To become an EMT one must take an EMT class (120 hours) ; spend 8 hours in a Hospital Emergency Department, and pass both written and practical exams. I would like to congratulate Alex, Barb, John, and Nancy for completing their EMT-B certifications and thank them for the time and commitment that they have made to the service. Ellen and I completed our re-certifications in March. Ellen also completed a EMT-I "Bridge" class to bring her EMT-I certification up to the new curriculum

In 2005, the New Hampshire Bureau of Emergency Medical Services (NHBEMS) applied for and received its forth "Rural Access to Emergency Medical Devices" grant from the U.S. Department of Health & Human Services, Federal Office of Rural Health Policy. This program provides access to AED's for rural communities throughout the state. There is no charge for the devices other than replacement of the chest pads and batteries as they are used. The FAST Squad applied for and received one of these AED's in 2005. It will become part of Ellen's equipment and will provide an additional level of coverage for the townspeople.

As in past years, I would encourage you to purchase a subscription from Upper Valley Ambulance service. The cost is only \$ 40.00 and covers everyone in your household for one year. Subscription cards are available at the Town Clerk's office or at the Upper Valley Ambulance office in Fairlee. Please pick one up and read about the benefits, it's certainly worth while.

The FAST Squad needs more people. It is our desire to recruit at least one new member each year. Money has been budgeted for training so please come and talk to us if you are interested in joining the FAST squad. No amount of time is too small to be of assistance. We meet at the fire station, the last Tuesday of each month at 7:00 P.M., or you may contact any squad member.

(Tom Elliott, Ellen Putnam, Nancy Cole, Alex Medlicott, Barbara Fitzpatrick, John Monaghan)

This year we are requesting \$ 2000.00 for our budget. This money will be used for training, equipment, and consumable supplies, such as oxygen, bandaging, etc.

Have a safe and healthy year.

Respectfully submitted
Tom Elliott
Captain, Piermont Fast Squad

SELECTMEN'S REPORT 2005

2005 was a very busy year. We expected to proceed with the revaluation update and rolling revaluation but experienced too many problems. The program we had been using and the data it contained was obsolete and could not be used. The firm we had hired worked very closely with the Department of Revenue Administration in Concord to try to solve the problems but both decided that trying to use our data would cause more problems than it would solve. We had to start over. Some of the ground work the firm had done will carry over to the new revaluation process. There is a Warrant Article for a full revaluation in 2006.

Our legal expenses far exceeded our budgeted amount. Camp Walt Whitman had filed for a tax abatement, which the Board denied. The Camp appealed our decision to the Supreme Court. The Board has just been notified (in January 2006) that after reviewing the town's information, they were dropping their appeal. Still pending is the Camp's appeal of the Zoning Board of Adjustment decision. The final decision from the Supreme Court could take a year or more. Another issue, the town had sold a local property it had taken by tax collector's deed. We had expected to receive the money from the sale in 2005. The former owner filed suit to try to collect some of the money from the sale, so the money had to be put in escrow until the Court decided the claim. The Superior Court decided that the town was entitled to keep the entire amount of the sale, \$30,000 in 2006. Finally, a lawsuit is in process regarding the road Christa and David Davis live on. The town has maintained it since the 1940's and it is the only access to a property north of the Davis'. The Davis' now claim it is a private driveway, not a road. This should be heard in Superior Court this year.

Of deep concern to the Board was the huge increase in the cost of oil. This affected so many accounts! Welfare was a big one. Many of your neighbors live on a very tight budget and the increase in oil caused an increase in heating fuel, gasoline, groceries etc. We responded to more requests for aid in 2005 than since I've been on the Board. The road agent accounts were understandably hard hit by this increase, as so much of road work is based on oil. Not just the gasoline or diesel fuel, but paving and trucking costs.

The sewer upgrade is now scheduled for late in 2006. We encountered many delays due to requirements of the Department of Environmental Services and the USDA Rural Development, the organizations that will fund 75% of the cost.

The Board agreed to the formation of a Recreation Committee for the town. Chris Davidson was asked to be Chairman. The ballfield was greatly improved by the addition of clay in the infield and has seen a lot of use. We hope to add T-ball, baseball and softball in the future. A survey was sent to the townspeople, asking what they would like to have in town. The Recreation Committee is working on implementing some of the suggestions.

One of the saddest happenings in 2005 was the death of William R. (Bill) Deal in October. Although Bill had retired last year from the police department, he was still very

active in town affairs. It's been said that Piermont was his family, and it is true he took care of his town.

The end of 2005 also saw the retirement of John Metcalf as Officer in Charge of the Piermont Police Dept. and Wayne Godfrey as Fire Chief. These two men served the town long and faithfully, and we are grateful and appreciative of all they did for our town.

Finally, I want to thank everyone for the support given to me during my 24 years on the Board of Selectmen. It's been an interesting journey and I have enjoyed working with so many people in such a variety of situations.

And so, to paraphrase Red Skelton (whom a lot of you younger people will not remember), "Goodbye and God Bless".

Jean D. Daley
Chairman

ANIMAL CONTROL REPORT 2005

Dear Citizens of Piermont, I submit my animal control report for 2005. The office of Animal Control has been very busy this year. I've had to shoot several animals suspected of having rabies. 2 were tested as they came in contact with humans and did test positive. If you see an animal you suspect is sick or diseased, call Hanover dispatch at 603-353-4347 or myself at home at 603-272-5802, and I will immediately come out and take care of the problem. If you call Fish and Game, they just transfer the call to me.

One item that was on the rise this year was the failure to license dogs. I've issued 28 fines of \$25 each for failure to license dogs, and a good part of these are the same people every year. I have 3 dogs in town that have still not been licensed. Their owners will receive a summons to court soon. I also issued a \$100 fine for a dog bite.

I am now authorized to shoot deer, moose, and bear that have been hit or injured. Anyone that would like to be put on the list to receive deer, bear, and moose that have been injured, please contact me at 603-272-5802.

Respectfully submitted,

Wayne Godfrey, ACO
Town of Piermont

Piermont Planning Board 2005

Meetings of the Board are held on the third Wednesday of every month at 7:30 p.m. at the Old Church Building on Route 10. Members of the Board at year-end were:

William Morris, Chairman
Peter Labounty, Vice Chair
Fred Shipman
Suzanne Woodard

Peggy Fullerton
Donna Huntington
Ed French, alternate
Jean Daley, ex-officio

At the April election of officers William Morris was elected chairman and Peter Labounty, vice chairman. The year saw the resignation from the Board of Scott Jacob. The selectmen appointed Donna Huntington a regular member of the Board and Ed French as alternate member.

The following actions were taken by the Board in 2005:

Floodplain Ordinance – At the 2005 Town Meeting, voters approved the proposed new ordinance developed by the Board which replaced the existing ordinance adopted by the Town in 1986. The new ordinance, based on the State of New Hampshire's Model Floodplain Ordinance, will be easier to administer and enforce. The new ordinance has become a part of the Piermont Zoning Ordinance.

Piermont Master Plan: Work is continuing to update the 1991 Town Master Plan. In June 2004, the Board mailed out questionnaires soliciting the community's input in updating the Master Plan. The percentage returned was relatively small, only 18 % of property owners responded to the survey. Though the percentage returned was small, there was a high degree of consensus among respondents encouraging the board to believe that we know what the town sentiment is. 90% of respondents preferred slow or no growth to a faster pace. Residents were unanimous in citing the value of Piermont's farms and in their praise of the natural beauty of Piermont. Over 90% rated town services favorably. Even road maintenance earned a 80% approval rating. A strong recurring theme throughout the responses was the importance of farms and woodlands. Over 90% were in favor of their preservation and a majority wanted the town to appropriate money for more future conservation efforts. The loss of farmland to development was cited as one of the problems facing the town. It was evident from the survey that Piermonters love where they live and want to do what they can to keep it that way. The returns will serve as the basis in updating the Master Plan. Work is continuing to complete sections on Community Facilities and Services Section, Conservation and Preservation , and Utility and Public Service for inclusion into the Master Plan.

Other business of the Board: At a public hearing in November, the Board adopted changes to Piermont Subdivision Regulations in order to conform to recent interpretations of existing RSA's by judges and the legislature.

Planning Board approvals granted in 2005: Edward and Nancy French/Gary and Elizabeth Spiess, lot line adjustment on Piermont Heights Road between Lot 12/13 and Lot 11, Tax Map R3; John and Mary Simpson/Fernand and Nancy Fagnant, lot line adjustment between Lot 3-2 and Lot 5, Tax Map R17. The Board accepted as complete the application by Russ and Shirley Gould for a Preliminary Layout and Review of a proposed 3-lot Major Subdivision including construction of a new cul-de-sac on Fox

Run, Tax Map R9, Lot 11. The Gould's still will have to file for Final Plat approval of their proposed Major Subdivision.

The Board also held conceptual hearings on two (2) proposed subdivisions.

During the year members of the Board attended a Municipal Law update workshop given by Town Counsel Bernard Waugh, and two members attended the 2005 Fall Planning and Zoning Conference.

William Morris, Chairman

PIERMONT CONSERVATION COMMISSION 2005

Monthly meetings of the Commission are held on the second Wednesday of every month at 7 p.m. at the Old Church Building on Route 10. The members of the Commission at year-end are: Helga Mueller, chair; David Ritchie, treasurer; Charles Grant; Asa Metcalf; Don Smith; Eric Underhill; Bill Morris; and Dana Hartley, student member.

Following the resignation of Ernie Hartley from the Board in 2004, the selectmen appointed Bill Morris in early 2005 to succeed Hartley.

As of December 31, 2005, the Town's Conservation Fund contains \$2,751.89 of which \$2,039.54 is in a Certificate of Deposit at the Woodsville Guarantee Savings Bank, the Underhill Canoe Site fund for the upkeep of the Underhill Canoe Campsite, also in a CD at the Woodsville Bank contains \$3,436.89. The Expendable Trust Fund for the maintenance of the Piermont Town Forest and Trails on Bedford Road contains \$4,117.86.

Piermont Town Forest and Trails

This site on Bedford Road is managed by the Commission for recreational and educational purposes. It serves as an outdoor classroom for Village School students to learn about nature and forest stewardship. Townspeople are encouraged to use the trails for hiking a, cross-country skiing, horseback riding, and snowmobiling.

Canoe Campsites

As in every year since they were established by the Commission through a grant from the Joint River Commissions, both the Underhill Canoe Campsite and the Sarah Moore Canoe Access continue to be popular with the public. Both sites are maintained by the Commission and are open from May 1 to November 1 of each year. A special thank you goes to student member Dana Hartley who maintained both sites this year.

Water Quality Monitoring

Members of the Commission together with members of the Lake Tarleton and Lake Armington Associations monitored the water quality of Lakes Tarleton, Armington, and Katherine. In 2005, volunteers collected water samples on June 24, July 17, and August

21 which were taken by volunteers to the DES laboratory in Concord for testing. The Town annually provides funds for the testing and travel expenses for the volunteers.

All three lakes had excellent water-quality with the exception of a “spike” in e-coli bacteria at the State Park Beach on Lake Tarleton in the water samples taken on July 17. Samples taken on August 21 again showed safe e-coli counts. The increase in the e-coli count can be attributed to run-off due to heavy rains with perhaps Canada geese being a contributing factor. The State Park beach is included in the State’s Public Beach Inspection Program. Personnel from this program posted the beach as being unsafe for swimming for one weekend as a result of the high e-coli count. In 2004, the same increase in the e-coli count occurred before again subsiding to safe levels in August. Copies of the reports showing detailed data are on file at the Town Clerk’s Office. The Commission would like to thank all the volunteers who participated in the water testing program in 2005.

Natural Resource Inventory

The Commission is in the planning stages of developing a Natural Resource Inventory of the Town. Members of the Commission have consulted with Ginny DiFrancesco and Amanda Stone of UNH Cooperative Extension and are in the process of ordering GIS maps from UVLSRPC needed to develop the inventory. The inventory will be a description and analysis of the significant natural resources of Piermont. It will cover water, wildlife, forest, natural communities, agricultural and soil resources. The inventory when finished will serve as the basis of the Conservation Plan for the Town and as a Natural Resources chapter of the Master Plan.

Other matters

The Commission applauds the Lake Tarleton Association for its continuing effort to prevent the spread of exotic milfoil and other invasive plants into Lake Tarleton by participating in the New Hampshire Lakes Association’s “Lake Host Program.”

Kudos also go to a group of young campers from Camp Kingswood, who as part of their high school requirement for community service, have cleaned large amounts of trash from the perimeter of Lake Tarleton and from along Route 25C.

The members of the Commission are available to assist property owners with complaints on violations, wetlands applications, establishing conservation easements, or any other conservation concerns.

As always we welcome your participation, ideas, and suggestions.

Helga Mueller, Chairman

ANNUAL REPORT OF THE ZONING BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT 2005

In December 2004, the Grafton Superior Court issued an order affirming the ZBA's decision relative to the Special Exception granted to Camp Walt Whitman in 2003 on all counts except the number of campers allowed. The Camp then immediately appealed this decision to the New Hampshire Supreme Court, which heard the case on January 12, 2006. No decision has been handed down as of this writing.

In other business, the ZBA granted a request for an area Variance from Thomas Johnson who has a residence on Cape Moonshine Road. The applicant requested a Variance to construct an addition. The request was initially denied on grounds that there was not enough room to maintain the required setbacks from the property lines. The applicant appealed, and provided a professional survey as proof of the necessary distances.

The Board also granted RoseMarie Musty-Faustini an Equitable Waiver from a dimensional requirement after having initially denied a regular Variance request for a deck that is too close to the property line. The Town and one abutter each filed appeals of this decision. There will be a rehearing in 2006.

Respectfully submitted,
Frederick W. Shipman, Chairman

PIERMONT HISTORICAL SOCIETY 2005

The Society was founded in 1974 as a non-profit society to preserve the heritage of the people of Piermont. The Society is not supported by the town's taxpayers, but relies on yearly dues collected from members, fundraisers, and donations from generous benefactors.

The officers of the Society in 2005 are Joe Medlicott, president; Helga Mueller, vice president; Fred Shipman, treasurer; Anna Williams, corresponding secretary; Lloyd Hall, director of preservation; and Betty Hall, director-at-large.

The Society was deeply saddened by the passing of William R. (Bill) Deal.

A member of the Society, Bill was a fountain of information about Piermont history and a protector of Piermont historical records. Two of the records turned over to the Town by the executors of Bill's estate were the original 1764 Town Charter and a historic book containing the minutes of meetings held in Portsmouth, N.H. by the 57 proprietors to whom Piermont was granted by King George III in 1764.

The Society developed a tour guide to sites of historic interest in Piermont which was included in the Lower Cohase Regional Chamber of Commerce brochure, "A Tour of the Historical Lower Cohase Region," which features, in addition to Piermont, Woodsville, North Haverhill, Haverhill, Bradford, Newbury, and Wells River historic points of interest for visitors to the region.

In conjunction with the Piermont Public Library the Society sponsored a walking tour of historic downtown Piermont.

We gratefully acknowledge the donations of Piermont native Agnes Hodsdon Perkins of pictures and other memorabilia of Piermont's past for the Society's collection. Agnes grew up in Piermont and had been for many years a member of the Society before moving to Rutland, Vermont. The Society appreciates donations of artifacts or memorabilia from Piermont's past.

The Society is in the process of preparing the former kindergarten room in the Old Church Building for a temporary exhibit on the former Lake Tarleton Club. The opening of the exhibit is scheduled to take place on Memorial Day 2006. A large mural-like photograph of the club has been installed on one wall. The Society was able to obtain two glass display cases which will feature memorabilia from the club. Any contributions for this display, either on loan or for permanent inclusion into our Lake Tarleton Club collection, are appreciated.

During the year the Society answered requests for information on events or people from Piermont's past. We welcomed several new members including Joyce and George Tompkins and Liz Smith. Our museum rooms are located above the library and may be visited by calling Lloyd Hall at 272-5858 or Helga Mueller at 272-4359.

Please note that copies of the original Piermont History published in 1947 are available at the Town Clerk's office or at the Piermont Public Library at a cost of \$36.00. Please consider joining the Society. Our membership dues are \$5 per family, \$3 for individuals, and \$1 for students. Individual life memberships are \$50. Dues may be mailed to: Piermont Historical Society, c/o Fred Shipman, treasurer, P.O. Box 273, Piermont, N.H. 03779.

Joe Medlicott, President

TRANSFER AND RECYCLE REPORT-2005

Dear Piermont Residents: I'm please to submit my 2005 Recycling Report.

Things have been running rather smoothly this year at the Recycling Center. To start off with, we received word in late February that we received the grant that I applied for for the Glass Bunker in the amount of \$1925. In April, we constructed the Glass Bunker, which allowed us to remove more glass from the waste stream that we were paying to dispose of. Also, we were able to save transportation cost on the glass. We were able to ship one large container for a cost of \$300 versus shipping a load every other week for \$100 per load. From when we started on April 23, to when we shipped out the first load at the end of October, we shipped 10.19 tons of glass. This is a savings of approximately \$700, after paying to ship out the glass. So as you can see the Glass Bunker has almost paid for itself with the grant received and the money saved in trucking.

Trash showed a slight drop last year as it did from the previous year for a total disposal of 116.91 tons for this year. Last year it was 117.86 tons. Also, recycling showed a rise to 103.10 from last year's 98.02. This is a 45% trash to recycling ratio, a 2% increase over last year. Good job people. To break it down in language you can understand, the paper we recycled saved 969 trees, and the scrap metal we recycled conserved 24,000 lbs. of coal.

This year's budget shows a slight decrease over last year's budget as the previous year's did, due to my superb management skills.

We are still having some minor problems with people reading signs and putting stuff in the wrong locations. Right now we have a very easy setup. You don't have to sort your paper. But we have people putting in the wrong stuff. People put wood, plastic, and just plain trash in with the paper. If it continues to happen, the company taking the stuff will start charging versus paying us for it. Also, the same problem in the plastic dumpster. People are putting glass, aluminum cans, and non-recyclable plastic in it. We still only take number 1 and 2 plastic. **IF NOT SURE WHERE SOMETHING GOES, PLEASE ASK.**

Wayne E. Godfrey, Manager
Transfer Recycling, Town of Piermont

2006 TRANSFER & RECYCLE BUDGET

Normandeau Trucking	13,460.00**
Salary	10,000.00
FICA	765.00
Training	350.00
Electric	260.00
Recycle Hauler	1200.00
Plastic Bags for recycling	60.00
State Recertification	100.00
Light Bulb Recycling	250.00
Paint Recycling	425.00
Metal Removal and rental	1100.00
Tire removal	750.00
Haz Mat Day	1082.00
Bags and Labels for PAYT	3900.00
Maintenance on Compactor	400.00
Propane for Heating Office	100.00
Building maintenance	500.00
Miscellaneous	400.00
 Total	 35,102.00
 Income from Sale of Bags and other fees-estimate	 -16,000.00
From recycling Trust Fund for building maintenance	-500.00
Total Tax Money Needed	18,602.00

**Includes trucking and disposal fees

ANNUAL REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES OF TRUST FUNDS 2005

The stock market values and returns have improved slightly. This has meant a bit more income from our trust funds. Piermont funds are invested in low risk, and therefore, lower yield, investments, earning what is a reasonable income given current market conditions.

Our investment objective has been, and remains, to maximize income from investments that pose little or no risk of principal. The principal amount of a trust fund cannot be spent – only the income – while a capital reserve fund can be spent in whole or in part for the purchase of some specified item by vote at Town/School meeting.

Respectfully submitted,
Frederick W. Shipman
Bookkeeping Trustee

ANNUAL REPORT OF THE CEMETERY TRUSTEES 2005

SOUTHLAWN CEMETERY

This year we began the expansion into the “new” section of South Lawn. This is a 3 acre parcel directly behind the existing South Lawn that was purchased from Alfred Stevens in 1973. In 2006 we plan to continue with the improvements.

BURIALS

Cemetery Sexton Lou Hobbs has, since 1983, been responsible for arranging burials, lot layout and sales, marker placement and general customer service for the Piermont cemeteries. Again, a most sincere thanks to Lou for the great service year after year.

GROUND CARE

Many thanks to John Metcalf and his able crew for the fine job done in 2005 on cemetery spring clean-up, mowing, trimming, stone repair, liming and fertilizing and fall clean-up. Piermont's cemeteries are something we can all be proud of.

Respectfully submitted,
Frederick W. Shipman,
Bookkeeping Trustee

TOWN EQUIPMENT CAPITAL RESERVE FUND

For Vehicular Equipment - Cash Equivalent Fund

December 31, 2005

Beginning Balance, 1/1/05	20,760.23
Shares Purchased	5,000.00
Dividend Income/Money Market Fund	<u>583.89</u>
Ending Balance, 12/31/04	26,344.12

TOWN FIRE/EMERGENCY SERVICES VEHICLES CAPITAL RESERVE FUND

For Fire and Emergency Service Vehicles-Cash Equivalent Fund

December 31, 2005

Beginning Balance, 1/1/05	51,554.29
Shares Purchased	10,000.00
Dividend Income/Money Market Fund	<u>1,429.08</u>
Ending Balance, 12/31/04	62,983.37

TOWN REVALUATION CAPITAL RESERVE FUND

For Revaluation of Town Properties - Cash Equivalent Fund

December 31, 2005

Beginning Balance 1/1/05	37,213.67
Dividend Income, Money Market Fund	888.42
Shares Purchased	5,000.00
Shares Sold	<u>22,865.00</u>
Ending Balance, 12/31/04	20,237.09

TOWN BUILDING IMPROVEMENTS CAPITAL RESERVE FUND

For Capital Improvements - Cash Equivalent Fund

December 31, 2005

Beginning Balance, 1/1/05	29,598.41
Dividend Income	<u>821.15</u>
Ending Balance 12/31/04	30,419.56

TOWN BEAN BROOK BRIDGE EXPENDABLE TRUST

For the Repair and Maintenance of Bean Brook Bridge - Cash Equivalent Fund

December 31, 2005

Beginning Balance, 1/1/05	102,478.99
Shares Purchased	20,000.00
Shares Sold	2,729.86
Dividend Income	<u>5,487.50</u>
Ending Balance, 12/31/04	119,721.35

TOWN BRIDGES EXPENDABLE TRUST

For the Repair and Maintenance of Town Bridges - Cash Equivalent Fund

December 31, 2005

Beginning Balance 1/1/05	28,950.17
Shares Purchased	5,000.00
Dividend Income, Money Market Fund	<u>775.62</u>
Ending Balance 12/31/04	34,725.79

TOWN RECYCLING/TRANSFER EXPENDABLE TRUST FUND

December 31, 2005

Beginning Balance, 1/1/05	1,734.34
Shares Purchased – See Note	1,920.57
Shares Sold	1,100.00
Dividend Income, Money Market Fund	<u>78.49</u>
Ending Balance 12/31/04	2,633.40

Note: Funds deposited to this account were credited in 2006. The amount cannot be determined until the end of year, as it comes from the annual recycling income.

TOWN BEDFORD LOT EXPENDABLE TRUST FUND

December 31, 2005

Beginning Balance, 1/1/05	4,011.31
Dividend Income, Money Market Fund	<u>78.49</u>
Ending Balance 12/31/04	4,117.86

HERBERT A. CLARK MEMORIAL TRUST FUND**For the Support of the Town****31-Dec-05**

Name of Investment	Dividend or Interest Income	Capital Gain Reinvested	Total Shares Owned	Principal Amount Market Value or Year End Balance
American Balanced Fund	5,498.60	6,057.48	18,366.444	327,290.03
Westar Energy**	253.00			
Capital World Growth & Income Fund	2,704.49	4,459.37	3,226.062	117,977.06
Growth Fund of America	746.36	883.85	3956.897	122,109.84
Washington Mutal Investors Fund	3,477.40	2,492.140	5875.514	181,200.85
Phoenix Fund	43.40			
George Putnam	201.03			
Centennial Money Market	21.70		1,892.96	1,892.96
TOTALS	12945.98	13892.84	38,394.827	750,470.74

**Westar Energy, Inc. was formerly Western Resources

CEMETERY TRUST FUND
for the support of the cemeteries December 31, 2005

Name of	Dividend or Interest Income	Capital Gain Reinvested	Total Shares Owned	Principal Market Value Year End
Cemetery Care				
Growth Fund of	161.08	190.75	853.958	26,353.14
Washington	750.48	537.84	1268.025	39,105.89
American	1,186.68	1,307.30	3963.7577	70,634.15
Centennial	3.54	686.62		
Oklahoma	300.28			0
Capital World	583.67	962.40	696.233	25,461.24
Woodsville Bank	49.36			
Operating Acct	12.79			<u>12,866.30</u>
TOTAL	3,047.88	3,684.91		174,420.72

GRAND

Cemetery	Amount
Asa Metcalf	171.00
Abby Metcalf	170.00
John Metcalf	7,990.00
Lou Hobbs	550.00
Oakes Bros	181.90
Huntington	289.95
Fred Shipman	600.00
WGSB	52.50
USPS	<u>63.12</u>
	10,048.47
Cemetery	
Town	18,800.00
Interest and	3,047.88
Burial Fees, net	1,475.00
Miscellaneous	<u>80.00</u>
	23,402.88

MARRIAGE

Groom's Name	Residence	Bride's Name	Residence
Reeves, Brian		Madbury, NH	Brown, Rachael
Dennis, Craig		Piermont, NH	Strickland, Annemarie
Miller, Sean		Piermont, NH	Blake, Kim
Wyzik, Philip		Piermont, NH	Bozeman, Lisa
Menard, Anthony	Piermont, NH	Bednarik, Heather	Piermont, NH
Garcia, Felix R	Littleton, NH	Roystan, Crystal L	Piermont, NH
Greycropoolos, Konstcoine	E Corinth, VT	Labounty, Jessica	E Corinth, VT
Parker, Mathew F	Orford, NH	Carter, Joanne	Orford, NH
Latona, Joseph A	Piermont, NH	Villella, Faith E	Brooklyn, NY
French, Charles E	Piermont, NH	Selph, Billie J	Piermont, NH
Prince, Matthew L	Piermont, NH	Macaulay, Elizabeth	Piermont, NH
Shipman, Nathan W	Piermont, NH	Jenks, Samantha L	Piermont, NH
Orlowski, Frank	Piermont, NH	Treway, Mary Ellen	Piermont, NH
Bellew, Peter I		Piermont, NH	Kitchel, Carole A
Frates Jr, Norman J	Woodstock, VT	Miller, Dail E	Woodstock, VT
Murphy, Michael T	Piermont, NH	Shuttle, Sandra L	Piermont, NH

Vital records for 2005

BIRTH

<u>Name</u>	<u>Date</u>	<u>Father</u>	<u>Mother</u>
Menard, William Joseph	Jan. 21, 2005	Anthony	Heather
Smith, Jaelyn Alexis	Feb. 25, 2005	Dennis	Darcy
Reeves, Wesley O.	Aug. 07, 2005	Brian	Rachael
Harben, Leo Nathaniel Boone	Aug. 29, 2005	Joshua	Careyana
Keysar, Gabrielle Ann	Sept 21, 2005	Craig	Rebekah
Hogan, Michael Brendan	Dec. 20, 2005	Michael	Kristen
Underhill, Colleen	Dec. 20, 2005	Jeffrey	Abigale

DEATHS

<u>Name</u>	<u>Date of Death</u>	<u>Place of Death</u>
Arpin, Nora	11/1/2005	Bristol, Ct
Blay, Fletcher C.	5/12/2005	N. Haverhill, NH
Chandler, Catherine	7/12/2005	Woodsville, NH
Deal, William R	10/18/2005	Piermont, NH
Fairbrother, Robert	6/23/2005	Greenfield, Ma
Genovese, Carmine	11/6/2005	St Johnsbury, Vt
Godzyk, Ruth E	1/22/2005	Boston, Ma
Hill, Rowena	12/2/2005	N. Haverhill, NH

**REQUESTS
FOR
PARTICIPATION
AND
DONATION**



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12/01/05

Executive Councilor
District One

REPORT TO THE PEOPLE OF DISTRICT ONE by Raymond S. Burton, Executive Councilor

As one of your elected public servants, I am honored to report to you in my role as Executive Councilor for District One.

My Constitutional and legal responsibilities while serving in this position parallel those of a Board of Directors. We administer state law and budgets passed by the NH House and Senate. We also must comply with federal laws and regulations when we accept federal programs, projects and grants.

One responsibility of the Governor and Council is to seek citizens willing to serve on the state volunteer boards and commissions. It is important that your region be well represented. If you are interested in serving on a board or commission, please send your letter of interest and resume to my office or directly to Kathy Goode, Director of Appointments/Liaison to the Council, Governor's Office, State House, 107 North Main Street, Concord, NH 03301, Tel. (603) 271-2121. Visit the Secretary of State's website to see what is available/open at:

www.sos.nh.gov/redbook/index.htm

Sources of information from my office to you include:

The New Hampshire Constitution

Official NH Highway Map

Organizational Chart of NH State Government

NH Political Calendar 2006-07

NH Executive Council brochure

Listing of toll-free phone numbers for resources and information.

Effective email/website source includes:

www.nh.gov for all state agencies; executive, legislative, state personnel, licensing boards, and much more.

www.nh.gov/council includes duties, minutes of meetings, agendas for upcoming meetings and the history of the Executive Council.

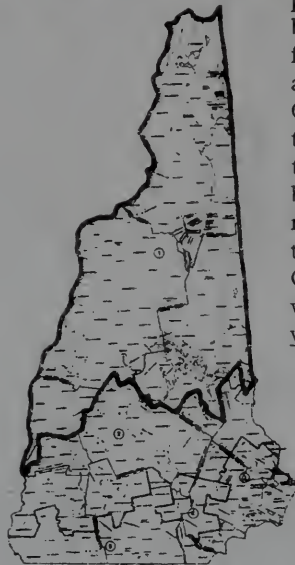
bcheney@nheom.state.nh.us Bruce Cheney, Bureau Chief all emergency management matters.

www.gencourt.state.nh.us/house/members/ All NH House Members email addresses.

www.gencourt.state.nh.us/senate/members ALL NH State Senate Members email addresses.

I am always available to assist you and your region in solving issues and concerns of importance to you.

IT IS A PLEASURE TO SERVE DISTRICT ONE.



Towns in Council District #1

CARROLL COUNTY:

Altoona, Bartlett,
Clisbham, Conway, Eaton,
Ellingham, Freedom, Harri's Lee,
Jackson, Madison, Mountcorbrough,
Ossipee, Sandwich, Tamworth,
Tiltonboro, Wakefield, Wolfboro

GRAFTON COUNTY:

Alexandria, Ashland, Bath,
Benior, Bethlehem, Bridgewater,
Bristol, Campton, Canaan,
Dorchester, Easton, Ellsworth,
Enfield, Franconia, Grafton,
Groton, Hanover, Haverhill,
Hebron, Holderness, Landall,
Lisbon, Lincoln, Lisbon,
Livermore, Littleton, Lyman,
Lyme, Monroe, Orange, Orford,
Permont, Plymouth, Rumney,
Sugar Hill, Thornton, Warren,
Waterville Valley, Wentworth,
Woodstock

BELKNAP COUNTY:

Altoona, Belmont, Center Harbor,
Gifford, Laconia, Meredith,
New Hampton, Sanbornville, Tilton

COOS COUNTY:

Berlin, Carroll, Clarksville,
Colebrook, Columbia, Dalton,
Dixville, Dummer, Errol,
Gorham, Jefferson, Lancaster,
Milan, Millsfield, Northumberland,
Pittsburg, Randolph, Shelburne,
Stewartstown, Stark, Stratford,
Whitefield

SULLIVAN COUNTY:

Charlestown, Claremont, Cornish,
Croydon, Grantham, Newport,
Plainfield, Springfield, Sunapee

**Annual Report of the LOWER COHASE REGIONAL
CHAMBER OF COMMERCE**, serving Haverhill and Piermont,
NH, and Bradford and Newbury, VT - December '05

This was a very productive year for the Chamber. As we look back on it and prepare for 2006, we do so without one of our cornerstones, Al Stevens, who lost his two-year battle with cancer last month. He served our Chamber and local communities throughout his illness...just two weeks before his death, he was 'at the table,' participating in his favorite activity, 'getting good stuff done!' He will be missed and we will all need to work a little harder to fill the void.

Early in 2005, the Chamber Board participated in our first strategic planning session. One of the results of that session was the formulation of our mission statement:

The Lower Cohase Regional Chamber of Commerce is committed to fostering a vibrant economic climate by encouraging cooperation and communication among the region's communities, while ensuring a high quality of life.

Our membership grew this year, as it has in each of our first four years; we enter 2006 with 130 members. Highlights from this past year include:

- Over 70 individuals are now covered by the insurance we offer through the Vermont Association of Chamber Executives. This program enables us to provide affordable group health and dental insurance coverage to Vermont businesses.
- We maintained our sponsorship, or co-sponsorship, of the following events in 2005:

. Third Annual Whole Hog Blues and BBQ Festival - over 1000 attendees enjoyed a fun-filled day of music, food, arts, and a whole-pig BBQ contest complete with tasting.

Spring and fall versions of Paddle the Border - canoe/kayak events on a stretch of the Connecticut River with free shuttle, food, music and displays at the landing.

- In partnership with other organizations, we initiated these new projects:

Vermont North By-Hand, Artisans' Studio Tours - twenty-five local artisans opened their studios for the first annual weekend event this fall.

Autumn-Adventures - the first weekend in October, we helped publicize the Artisans' Tour, Paddle the Border, Scenic Plane Rides, Haverhill's Alumni Hall special events and a fun-filled weekend at Windy Ridge.

Haverhill's Alumni Hall First Annual Photography Contest

We sincerely value and appreciate the working relationships with Haverhill Alumni Hall, Haverhill Recreation Commission, Newbury Conservation Commission, Woodsville High School Outing Club, Vermont North By-Hand Artisans, Middle Earth Music Hall and the Woodsville-Wells River Rotary, in putting together these events.

- We researched, wrote, published, and distributed the following:

10,000 Area Guides & Maps of the Lower Cohase Region which list the Chamber member businesses and identify their respective locations on a full-color map that was drawn by Bert Dodson, world-renowned (and Bradford resident) artist. We will begin work on the '06 version soon.

A Tour of the Historical Lower Cohase Region, describing and locating historic sites in each of the four member towns.

Both of these publications are free and available for distribution. If you would like copies, please contact the Chamber office at 757-2759, or by email at jnjowell@sover.net.

The Chamber also brought together the selectboards and regional economic development officials of the region for a dinner meeting to identify issues and challenges facing us all. We will continue to promote regular dialogue amongst town officials in '06.

Business-After-Hours events were held at the Piermont Inn, The North Haverhill Bike Shop and Inn, Hatchland Farms, the Gibson House B&B, Woodsville Guaranty Savings Bank.

The www.cohase.org web site is our primary source of marketing the region to the world. Please use the site as a resource; you're welcome to submit any events for the Community Calendar to our webmaster via email.

As we look ahead to 2006 and the breaking news that Woodsville will likely be the home of a Wal-Mart Superstore sometime in 2007, we hope to provide our existing business base with information and tools to help them prepare for the upcoming changes. We need to realize that the volume of traffic in the region will increase dramatically and that this provides opportunities, as well as challenges, for our retailers and service-providers. By planning ahead and being pro-active, we hope to help strengthen the existing local business community.

Our thanks to everyone who has supported the Chamber this past year and, as always, please feel free to contact us about membership, serving on the Board, or with suggestions on how we may serve you better.

Sincerely,

Marvin Harrison, LCCOC Chairperson

Upper Valley Ambulance Service
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email: uvambulance@valley.net

We are pleased to present our 15th annual report to the citizens we serve. Upper Valley Ambulance, Inc. has continually provided emergency and non-emergency ambulance service to our nine communities since July 1, 1990. In the past fifteen years, Upper Valley has responded to over 20,500 ambulance calls. This year (2005) we will have responded to over 900 requests for emergency medical assistance from the nine communities we serve.

2005 has proven to be a challenging year from a business perspective. We have had a difficult time finding qualified employees in a tight labor market. We continue to absorb double digit increases in health insurance, workers compensation and liability insurance. Reimbursement from Medicare, Medicaid and most other payers continues to lag well behind the actual cost of providing service. Despite this, we strive to continue providing a high level of service.

2006 will bring many more challenges. The Balanced Budget Act of 1997 which placed ambulances on a fixed fee schedule will be fully implemented in 2006. Medicare reimbursement will actually decrease over the next few years. Insurance rates continue to climb, and the job market remains tight. However, conservative fiscal management will allow us to keep our funding request at \$15.00/per capita.

The cornerstone of Upper Valley Ambulance is our personnel. We are proud to have paramedic level EMTs staffing our ambulances. Further training allows Critical Care Paramedics to transport critical patients with the complex equipment between hospitals.

In September, Upper Valley, along with twelve other Vermont services, was honored to send an ambulance crew to Texas for 35 days to support rescue efforts during Hurricane Rita. John Vose, our Paramedic Administrator, was asked by the Vermont State EMS officials to lead the Vermont contingent. He did an outstanding job.

Our Domicile Risk Assessment Program, "Home Sweet Home...Home Safe Home" continues to grow. Members of Upper Valley Ambulance trained in identifying hazards in and around your home will meet with you to offer recommendations for a safer home environment. This no cost program was developed to reduce risks around your home and help you identify hazards in the hopes of preventing an injury from occurring. We strongly urge everyone to take advantage of this free program. If you would like to schedule an assessment, or would like to volunteer to assist us with this worthwhile program, please give our office a call.

Many of you are familiar with our Subscription Service. The yearly membership fee of \$40 entitles you to medically necessary emergency medical services at no additional cost to you. Applications are available at your local Town Offices, or at our business office on Lake Morey Road in Fairlee.

We encourage you to join your friends and neighbors who stop by to visit, or have their blood pressure checked at our Lake Morey Road facility. Please feel free to contact John Vose, Administrator or your Town Representative, if you have any questions concerning our service.

We are proud of our accomplishments and look forward to serving you in the future. The Board of Directors, Administration and Employees of Upper Valley Ambulance, Inc. will continually strive to provide the highest quality emergency medical care at the lowest possible cost to all the citizens we serve.

Sincerely,
Larry A. Lancaster, Chair
Board of Directors

VISITING NURSE ASSOCIATION & HOSPICE OF VERMONT AND NEW HAMPSHIRE
Home Care, Hospice and Family Health Services in the Town of Piermont

The VNA & Hospice is like the local police and fire departments—a strategic part of the community's safety net—with services that must be continuously available to anyone in need. The town's support continues to be crucial for patients. Surrounded by memories, familiar furnishings, and family photographs, people almost always wish to confront the issues of illness, accident or aging, and dying in the comfort of their homes.

Town funding ensures that the following medically necessary and supportive services are provided to all citizens, including the uninsured and under-insured:

- Skilled clinical care and support during times of injury, short-term or chronic illness, or recovery from surgery or accidents. The most common conditions under our care are congestive heart failure, emphysema, diabetes, vascular disease, muscle disorders, and joint replacement.
- Nursing and physician care for pain and symptom management during terminal illness. Also addresses the psychosocial, emotional, spiritual, and financial concerns for patients, their families and their caregivers.
- Assistance to young families at risk. We help fathers and/or mothers who want to be more effective parents and care for newborns and children who have chronic illnesses requiring long-term support and care.
- Community wellness clinics including blood pressure, foot care, and flu vaccines

VNA & Hospice provided the following services in the Town of Piermont this past year: (7/1/04 – 6/30/05)

Hospice Program

Patient families served*	1
Volunteer hours	3

Nutrition/Food Programs

WIC clients	5
WIC visits	27
CSFP clients	1

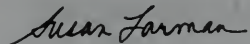
Home Care Program

Patients served	16
Home visits*	600

*Includes Nursing Care, Physical, Occupational and Speech Therapy, Medical Social Workers, Home Health Aides, Personal Care or Homemaker Services

On behalf of the people we serve in your community, thank you for your continued confidence.

Respectfully submitted,



Susan H. Larman, BSN, MBA
President and CEO
VNA & Hospice of VT and NH



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December 15, 2005

Board of Selectmen
Town of Piermont
Piermont, NH 03779

Dear Members of the Board:

It has been another very exciting year at Cottage Hospital. Over the past year we have seen growth in many areas of the hospital. We are looking forward to an exciting new building project beginning next year, which will make space for the expansion of clinical services such as Pain Management, Day Surgery, Radiology and Laboratory.

Our fiscal year was a close one; however, we managed to end the fiscal year with a small positive bottom line for the fourth year in a row for 2004-2005.

At Cottage Hospital we are all very proud of the personal care that we are able to give to our patients. Time and time again, we hear about the outstanding care that patients and family members have received while with us.

We know our communities are supportive of our institution, and we are extremely grateful for the financial support that our area towns have provided over the years. Although funds are always needed and welcomed at Cottage Hospital, we know there are many worthy organizations also asking for money this year. Therefore, the Cottage Hospital Board of Trustees has decided NOT to ask the town of Piermont for financial support for the twelfth consecutive year.

We thank you for your continued support and pledge to continue to do our best to provide you and your families with the highest quality of healthcare possible.

We will appreciate your including this message in your 2005 Annual Report, and we will forward our 2005 Annual Report to you as soon as it is available. Best wishes for a healthy new year.

Sincerely,

Reginald J. Lavoie
Administrator

"A Critical Access Hospital"

GRAFTON COUNTY

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UNIVERSITY of NEW HAMPSHIRE COOPERATIVE EXTENSION

December 7, 2005

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Cheshire County
532-4550

Coos County
788-4961

Hillsborough County
641-6060

Merrimack County
225-5505

Rockingham County
679-5616

Strafford County
749-4445

Sullivan County
863-9200

To: Grafton County Town Offices
From: Northam Parr, Extension County Office Administrator
Re: UNH Grafton County Cooperative Extension 2005 Annual Report

Over the last several years we have been pleased to see the UNH Cooperative Extension report in many of your annual town reports. This allows members of each community to be aware of our educational programs and opportunities.

Enclosed is a written copy of the report. Some of you have indicated that you would like to get a copy of this report electronically. We can send that to you in Word or WordPerfect, or you can send us a disk and we can copy the report and submit it to you that way. Also, if there is specific information that would be vital to your constituents, we can adapt the report for coming years. Contact us by email at grafton@ceunh.unh.edu.

I appreciate the opportunity to let each of Grafton County's towns learn about Cooperative Extension programs.

Sincerely,

Northam D. Parr
County Office Administrator
Extension Educator, Forest Resources

UNH Cooperative Extension programs and policies are consistent with pertinent Federal and State laws and regulations on non-discrimination regarding age, color, handicap, national origin, race, religion, sex, sexual orientation, or veteran's status. College of Life Sciences and Agriculture, County Governments NH Division of Forests and Lands, Department of Resources and Economic Development, NH Fish and Game Department, U.S. Department of Agriculture, Forest Service and US Fish and Wildlife Service cooperating

2005 Report of UNH Cooperative Extension-Grafton County Office

UNH Cooperative Extension provides New Hampshire citizens with research-based education and information, enhancing their ability to make informed decisions that strengthen youth, families and communities, sustain natural resources, and improve the economy.

Funded through the federal, state and county governments, and competitive grants, educational programs are designed to respond to the local needs of citizens through direction and support of an elected volunteer advisory council.

Education programs and assistance are objective, informal and practical in nature; most are at no direct cost for participants. Clients' needs are met through phone calls, letters and printed materials, hands-on workshops, on-site visits, seminars and conferences, and up-to-date web sites. Our staff is able to respond quickly with needed information via electronic mail, keeps up-to-date on the latest research and information, and works collaboratively with many agencies and organizations.

A professional staff of five educators and one specialist work out of the Extension Office located in the Grafton County Administrative Offices in North Haverhill. Two additional staff members work in Plymouth and Littleton to provide educational programs for limited-resource families. Additional support is provided through trained volunteers who assist with Extension programs and increase our outreach capabilities.

Educational Programs in Grafton County, FY05:

- **To Strengthen NH's Communities:** Community Conservation Assistance Program; Preserving Rural Character through Agriculture; Urban and Community Forestry; Community Youth Development; Volunteer Training (Master Gardeners, Coverts Cooperators, Community Tree Stewards, 4-H Leaders); Community Profiles.
- **To Strengthen NH's Family and Youth:** After-School Programs; Family Resource Management; 4-H/Youth Development: Family Lifeskills Program; Nutrition and Food Safety Education; Parenting Education; Cradle Crier/Toddler Tale Newsletters; Volunteer Leader Training Programs.
- **To Sustain NH's Natural Resources:** Dairy Management; Agroecology; Forest Resources Stewardship Program; Fruit Production and Management; GIS Training; Lakes Lay Monitoring Program; Integrated Pest Management; Ornamental Horticulture; Insect and Disease Control; Vegetable Crop Production; Wildlife Habitat Improvement; Water Quality/Nutrient Management Programs; Estate Planning and Conservation Easement Education Programs.
- **To Improve the Economy:** Small Business Assistance (Forest Industry, Loggers, and Foresters; Farms and Nurseries); Farm and Forest Product Marketing; Agricultural Business Management; Family Financial Management; Employment Skills Training Program.

Extension Staff: Tom Buob, Agricultural Resources; Ginny DiFrancesco, Water Quality; Kathleen Jablonski, 4-H/Youth Development; Michal Lunak, Dairy; Deborah Maes, Family & Consumer Resources; Northam Parr, Forestry & Wildlife Resources; Robin Peters, Nutrition Connections; Jacqueline Poulton, LEAP (Lifeskills for Employment, Achievement and Purpose). Educators are supported by Anita Hollenhorst, Donna Mitton and Kristina Vaughan at the Extension Office.

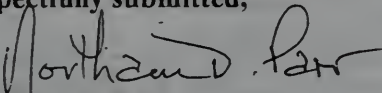
Extension Advisory Council: Mike Dannehy, Woodsville; Sheila Fabrizio, North Haverhill; James Kinder, North Haverhill; David Keith, North Haverhill; Shaun Lagueux, Bristol; Jane O'Donnell, Littleton; Cindy Putnam, Piermont; Debby Robie, Bath; Carol Ronci, Franconia; Denis Ward (Chair), Monroe. Teen Members include: Molly Roy, Bath and Justine Morris, Haverhill.

Extension Office Hours are Monday through Friday from 8 AM to 4 PM.

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Extension programs and policies are nondiscriminatory with regard to age, color, handicap, national origin, race, religion, sex, sexual orientation and veterans' status.

Respectfully submitted,


Northam D. Parr
County Office Administrator

2005

**White Mountain Mental Health and Common Ground
Director's Report**

Town of Piermont, NH

This has been an active and exciting year for our agency. New programs have been established and existing services have been improved. Some changes have been visible to the public and others have involved strengthening our infrastructure "behind the scenes" to allow us to serve you better.

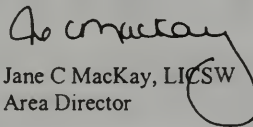
Perhaps the most important change during 2005 has been the change in name of our parent organization. Previously Northern New Hampshire Mental Health and Developmental Services, we are now **Northern Human Services**. This decision was made after years of consideration by our board of directors, local advisory councils and management. This change reflects the fact that we are a major provider of human services in seventy-two towns in northern New Hampshire. The new name is also much shorter and will, hopefully, be easier to identify and remember! You will notice from the title of this report that our local program names have remained the same. We are the same agency, with the same staff, providing the same quality mental health, substance abuse and developmental services that have been essential parts of your community for the past 35 years. We have always been part of a larger entity, but, as always, your support will go to residents of your town.

Our services continue to expand as residents of the towns we serve are increasingly in need of supports. Services that were once provided by families and neighbors are now often unavailable from these over-burdened sources. This means that people in need turn to us for help. Families with children who are struggling to function in their schools and communities are especially grateful that our staff are able to go into schools and homes to provide "on the spot" assistance when needed. Some of the other services available to residents of your community include:

- 24 hour crisis intervention and assessment service for mental health emergencies
- Individual, marriage and family counseling, offered by highly trained mental health professionals with a variety of specialties
- Medication consultations to local physicians by Board certified psychiatrists
- "Full-life" supports for persons with serious and persistent mental illness, including housing, vocational and case management services
- Individualized home placements for fifty persons with developmental disabilities
- Life-enriching jobs and social connections for people with mental illness and developmental disabilities
- Substance abuse prevention and treatment by our staff of licensed alcohol and drug abuse counselors

This year 10 residents received 228.75 hours of service at a discounted rate or at no cost. This was made possible by town contributions. Thank you for your generous support.

Respectfully Submitted,



Jane C MacKay, LICSW
Area Director

www.NorthernHS.org

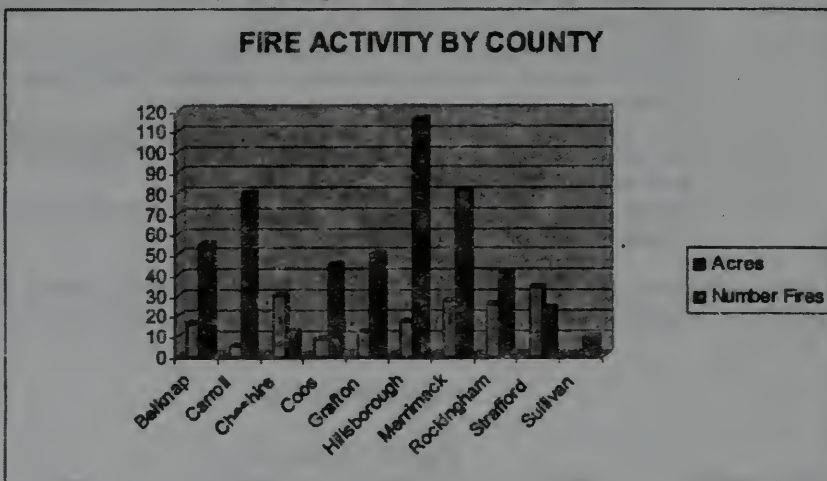
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Report of Forest Fire Warden and State Forest Ranger

Your local Forest Fire Warden, Fire Department, and the State of New Hampshire Division of Forests & Lands work collaboratively to reduce the risk and frequency of wildland fires in New Hampshire. To help us assist you, please contact your local Forest Fire Warden or Fire Department to determine if a permit is required before doing ANY outside burning. A fire permit is required for all outside burning unless the ground is completely covered with snow. The New Hampshire Department of Environmental Services also prohibits the open burning of household waste. Citizens are encouraged to contact the local fire department or DES at 1-800-498-6868 or www.des.state.nh.us for more information. Safe open burning requires diligence and responsibility. Help us to protect New Hampshire's forest resources. For more information please contact the Division of Forests & Lands at (603) 271-2217, or online at www.nhdf.org.

Fire activity was high during the first several weeks of the 2005 fire season, with red-flag conditions issued by the National Weather Service and extreme fire danger in the southern and central portions of the state. This period of increased initial attack activity prompted a 5-day ban on open burning, the first such ban in several years. Despite the dry conditions, the state's largest wildland fire was contained at 29 acres. Our statewide system of fire lookout towers is credited with keeping the fires small and saving several structures this season due to their quick and accurate spotting capabilities. Fires in the wildland urban interface damaged 10 structures, a constant reminder that forest fires burn more than just trees. Homeowners should take measures to prevent a wildland fire from spreading to their home. Precautions include keeping your roof and gutters clear of leaves and pine needles, and maintaining adequate green space around your home free of flammable materials. Additional information and homeowner recommendations are available at www.firewise.org. Please help Smokey Bear, your local fire department and the state's Forest Rangers by being fire wise and fire safe!

2005 FIRE STATISTICS (All fires reported as of November 4, 2005)



CAUSES OF FIRES REPORTED

Arson	2
Campfire	34
Children	29
Smoking	40
Debris	284
Railroad	1
Equipment	7
Lightning	5
Misc.*	111 (*Misc.: power lines, fireworks, electric fences, etc.)

	Total Fires	Total Acres
2005	513	174
2004	482	147
2003	374	100
2002	540	187

ONLY YOU CAN PREVENT WILDLAND FIRE

Upper Valley Lake Sunapee Regional Planning Commission
Annual Report for FY 2005

Through UVLSRPC membership, the 27 cities and towns of the Upper Valley, Sullivan County and Lake Sunapee area strive to ensure that the growth of the Region does not lower the quality of life, and that it enhances rather than threatens our healthy economy. Regional planning provides a mechanism for communities that live and work together to collaborate on issues of common concern, such as transportation, emergency preparedness, economic development, housing and resource protection. Your community's active participation in UVLSRPC provides you with a voice in regional activities, as well as in decision-making at the state level that affects the future of your community.

Each year we try to address the highest priority needs of each area of the Region, while balancing the differing concerns of larger and smaller communities. Some highlights of the past year:

- Worked with state agencies to ensure that the needs of our Region's communities are understood and addressed. Specific activities included: facilitated sessions for local input to State Development Plan and NH Department of Transportation's long range plan; reviewed growth projections for state traffic model; participated in work group studying sprawl in NH and effectiveness of state smart growth policies; worked with other regions on educational material on principles of good planning for NH and legislative priorities.
- Promoted our Region's priorities in development of state's transportation improvement budgets, and assisted municipalities and public transit providers with applications for transportation grant funds.
- Represented member communities on Mount Sunapee Ski Area Advisory Committee; conducted review of expansion plans; facilitated regional discussions and opportunities for public comment.
- Completed Comprehensive Economic Development Strategy (CEDS) for Sullivan County to increase eligibility for federal funding for economic development and infrastructure improvements. Developed GIS database of Sullivan County industrial and commerce parks. Continued to collaborate with economic development partners in Grafton County.
- Partnered with Lake Sunapee Protective Association to help communities collaborate on watershed management plan by forming Sunapee Area Watershed Coalition.
- Wrote, published and distributed "Planning for New Hampshire's Housing Needs: A Primer for Local Officials."
- Organized 3 hazardous waste collections in which 789 households participated to keep over 4,000 gallons of hazardous chemicals out of the Region's groundwater.
- Facilitated 6 roundtable discussions for municipal representatives to discuss and get advice on issues of common concern.
- Assisted 13 communities with updates of local master plans, 10 with conservation planning efforts, 9 with zoning amendments, 7 with updates to subdivision or site plan review regulations, and 2 with capital improvement programs.
- Conducted traffic counts in 14 communities, and brought the number of communities with completed road inventories up to 16, ensuring that full state aid for maintenance is received.

- Conducted hazard mitigation planning in 8 communities as required for continued eligibility for federal disaster assistance and hazard mitigation funds. Assisted 4 with review of National Flood Insurance Program compliance. Began assisting Sullivan County communities with process to adopt new floodplain maps to ensure residents' continued eligibility for flood insurance.
- Assisted 6 communities with review of proposed developments.
- Completed special projects to address local needs, including E911 readdressing in Claremont and New London Parking Study.
- Continued emphasis on informational programs and training for local officials including law lecture series and bi-monthly programs on topics such as NH Energy Policy - What it Means for Communities, Outdoor Lighting, and Striking the Balance Between Preservation of Rural Character and Growth - What is the Public Interest.
- Responded to day-to-day requests from local board members and staff for guidance on, e.g., subdivision review process, earth excavation regulations, growth management, impact fees, development on unmaintained roads, regulation of accessory apartments and buildings, and emergency zoning.
- Provided technical assistance to regional partner organizations, e.g., Advance Transit, Community Transportation Services, Upper Valley Transportation Management Association, Connecticut River Joint Commissions, Upper Valley Household Hazardous Waste Committee, Lake Sunapee Protective Association, Cold River Local Advisory Committee, and Upper Valley Land Trust.
- Maintained website - www.uvlsrpc.org - to share information on planning issues and events, and kept library current with the latest technical guidance, planning literature, and sample regulations; responded to numerous requests for information from local officials, businesses, residents, libraries, school districts and other area organizations.
- Participated in professional development activities to ensure planning staff stays up-to-date on best practices, emerging topics, GIS, and changes in NH land use law and federal funding programs of benefit to communities.

We appreciate the high level of participation and support we receive from our communities, and look forward to continuing to serve the needs of the Region in the coming year. We count on feedback from the Commissioners appointed by each community, as well as local officials and residents, to ensure that our work program focuses on those regional issues that are of the highest priority to you. Please feel free to contact us at (603) 448-1680 or email me at tbamford@uvlsrpc.org to share your thoughts.

Tara E. Bamford
Executive Director



Grafton County

Senior Citizens Council

Inc.

GRAFTON COUNTY SENIOR CITIZENS COUNCIL, INC.
ANNUAL REPORT 2005

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Upper Valley Senior Center
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448-4213

RSVP of Upper Valley & White Mts.
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Lebanon, NH 03766
448-1825

Grafton County Senior Citizens Council, Inc. is a private nonprofit organization that provides programs and services to support the health and well being of our older citizens. The Council's programs enable elderly individuals to remain independent in their own homes and communities for as long as possible.

The Council operates eight senior centers in Plymouth, Littleton, Canaan, Lebanon, Bristol, Orford, Haverhill and North Woodstock, the information and assistance program Grafton County ServiceLink and the Retired and Senior Volunteer Program and Volunteer Center (RSVP). Through the centers, ServiceLink and RSVP, older adults and their families take part in a range of community-based long-term services including home delivered meals, congregate dining programs, transportation, adult day care, chore/home repair services, recreational and educational programs, and volunteer opportunities.

During 2005, 45 older residents of Piermont were served by one or more of the Council's programs offered through the Orford and Horse Meadow Senior Centers:

- Older adults from Piermont enjoyed 797 balanced meals in the company of friends in the senior dining rooms.
- They received 1,307 hot, nourishing meals delivered to their homes by caring volunteers.
- Piermont residents were transported to health care providers or other community resources on 17 occasions by our lift-equipped buses.
- They benefited from the adult day care program a total of 30 hours.
- They received assistance with problems, crises or issues of long-term care through 38 visits by a social worker or contacts with ServiceLink.
- Piermont's citizens also volunteered to put their talents and skills to work for a better community through 1,204.5 hours of volunteer service.

The cost to provide GCSCC services for Piermont residents in 2005 was \$14,497.58.

Such services can be critical to elderly individuals who want to remain in their own homes and out of institutional care in spite of chronic health problems and increasing physical frailty, saving tax dollars that would otherwise be expended for nursing home care. They also contribute to a higher quality of life for our older friends and neighbors. As our population grows older, supportive services such as those offered by the Council become even more critical.

Grafton County Senior Citizens Council very much appreciates Piermont's support for our programs that enhance the independence and dignity of older citizens and enable them to meet the challenges of aging in the security and comfort of their own communities and homes.

Roberta Berner, Executive Director

A United Way Agency providing services to older adults in Grafton County

Grafton County Senior Citizens Council, Inc.

Statistics for the Town of Piermont

October 1, 2004 to September 30, 2005

During the fiscal year, GCSCC served 45 Piermont residents (out of 137 residents over 60, 2000 Census).

<u>Services</u>	<u>Type of Service</u>	<u>Units of Service</u>	<u>x</u>	<u>Unit (1) Cost</u>	<u>=</u>	<u>Total Cost of Service</u>
Congregate/Home Delivered	Meals	2,104	x	\$6.30	\$	13,255.20
Transportation	Trips	17	x	\$10.84	\$	184.28
Adult Day Service	Hours	30	x	\$12.25	\$	367.50
Social Services	Half-hours	29.5	x	\$23.41	\$	690.60
Activities		85		N/A		
ServiceLink	Contacts	8				

Number of Piermont volunteers 6. Number of Volunteer Hours: 1,204.5

GCSCC cost to provide services for Piermont residents only	\$	<u>14,497.58</u>
Request for Senior Services for 2005	\$	1,300.00
Received from Town of Piermont for 2005	\$	1,300.00
Request for Senior Services for 2006	\$	<u>1,300.00</u>

NOTE:

1. Unit cost from GCSCC Statement of Revenue and Expenses for October 1, 2004 to September 30, 2005.
2. Services were funded by Federal and State programs 56%; municipalities, county and United Way 9%; Contributions 10%; In-kind donations 16%; Friends of GCSCC 7%; Other 2%.

COMPARATIVE INFORMATION

From Financial Statements for GCSCC
Fiscal Years 2004 and 2005

October 1-September 30

UNITS OF SERVICE PROVIDED

	FY2004	FY2005
Dining Room Meals	81,486	79,029
Home Delivered Meals	109,546	118,124
Transportation (Trips)	45,108	40,697
Adult Day Service (Hours)	17,323	15,668
Social Services (1/2 Hours)	7,212	6,895
Adult In Home Care	4,622	9,317

COST PER UNIT OF SERVICE PROVIDED

	FY2004	FY2005
Congregate/home delivered meals	\$5.72	\$6.30
Transportation (per trip)	\$9.05	\$10.84
Adult Day Service (hour of Service)	\$7.47	\$12.25
Social Services (per unit)	\$22.48	\$23.41
Adult In-Home Care (hour of service)	\$21.40	\$17.64



For an electronic copy of this report, please email Adair.Mulligan@crjc.org

ANNUAL REPORT - 2005

Upper Valley River Subcommittee of the Connecticut River Joint Commissions

This year the Upper Valley River Subcommittee updated the Recreation chapter of our *Connecticut River Management Plan*, taking a close look at river access, riverfront recreational development, swimming, fishing, boating, and area trails. A new water quality assessment conducted for us by the State of New Hampshire indicates that the Connecticut River in the Piermont area is safe for swimming and other recreation. We have now begun work on revising and updating the water resources chapter of our plan.

The Subcommittee continues to carry out our legal obligation to provide information and assistance to the states, towns, and local landowners on projects near the river. We encourage all towns in our region to review our current *Connecticut River Corridor Management Plan*, and to incorporate its recommendations as they update town plans and revise their zoning ordinances, particularly for floodplain and shoreland protection.

Citizens interested in representing the town should contact the select board. The Subcommittee is advisory and has no regulatory authority. The public is welcome to participate in our meetings, on the third Monday evening of every other month at the Thetford Bicentennial Building. More information, including a calendar, advice on bank erosion and obtaining permits for work in or near the river, and a summary of the *Connecticut River Corridor Management Plan* is on the web at www.crjc.org/localaction.htm.

Charles Grant and Hal Covert, Piermont representatives

CONNECTICUT RIVER JOINT COMMISSIONS

This year the Connecticut River Joint Commissions have considered issues as wide-ranging as all-terrain vehicles and recreational use of the river to the Connecticut River Birding Trail and floodplain development. Appointed by the legislatures of New Hampshire and Vermont to guide growth and development in the watershed, the CRJC are advisory and have no regulatory powers, preferring instead to ensure greater public involvement in decisions that affect the river region.

With the support of the four US Senators from the two states, the Commissions were able to provide \$85,000 in Partnership Program grants for locally-inspired projects, including trailhead parking and signage at the Clay Brook Trail off Route 10 in Lyme, and student research into invasive rusty crayfish in the White River watershed, led by the Vermont Institute of Natural Science.

CRJC support efforts to safeguard natural, agricultural, and historic assets of the valley, and are working with businesses and the states to strengthen the local base for tourism through the Connecticut River Byway. We brought Governors Jim Douglas of Vermont and John Lynch of New Hampshire together for a tour of the river region, and through our efforts, the 500 miles of state-designated roadway have been named a National Scenic Byway.

We welcome the public to our meetings on the last Monday of each month. Visit our web site at www.crjc.org for a calendar of meetings, useful information and links, and our newsletters, *River Valley News* and *River Byway News*.

Robert Ritchie, Connecticut River Commissioner

ANNUAL REPORT
of the
SCHOOL BOARD
of the
PIERMONT SCHOOL DISTRICT
for the
FISCAL YEAR
JULY 1, 2004 to JUNE 30, 2005

ORGANIZATION OF PIERMONT SCHOOL DISTRICT

SCHOOL BOARD

Glen Meder - Chair
Vernon Jones
Lisa Knapton

Term Expires 2007
Term Expires 2008
Term Expires 2006

MODERATOR

Arnold Shields

CLERK

Karen Fagnant

HEALTH OFFICER

Alex Medicott

TREASURER

Frederick Shipman

AUDITORS

Plodzik & Sanderson

SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS

Bruce C. Labs

2004-2005 STAFF

Nancy Sandell - Principal
Eileen Dohrman - Kindergarten
Brenda Bianchi - Grades 1-2
Belinda Smith - Grades 3-4
Cassandra Spaulding - Grades 5-6
Lydia Hill – 7/8
Nancy Sandell – 7/8 Science
Paul Munn - Math
Paula Poirier - Art Education
Rebecca Bailey - Music
Eileen Dohrman - Title One/Reading Recovery
Susan La Pierre - Special Education Teacher
Kenneth Marier - Physical Education/Health Education
Pam Hartley - Instructional Assistant
Christine Stack - Instructional Assistant
Dorothy Unkles - Guidance
Moir Debois - School Psychologist
Maren Boothby - Speech/Language Pathologist
Maureen Byrne - Librarian
Donna Huntington - School Nurse
Cindy Jackson - School Secretary
Jim Raper - Custodian
Linda Lea - Lunch Director

**PIERMONT SCHOOL DISTRICT
SCHOOL DISTRICT MEETING
March 15, 2005**

Moderator Arnold Shields called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm. He explained the rules of the meeting. He then asked Shawn Rogers, the Building Committee Chairman to present the Bond. The public was allowed time to ask questions about Shawn's presentation.

Alex Medlicott made a motion to dispense reading the entire warrant. Second by Fred Shipman. Declined by voice vote. Warrants to be read.

ARTICLE 1: To see if the school district will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of one million one hundred thousand dollars (\$1,100,000.00) for the construction and equipping of an addition to the existing school building, and to authorize the issuance of not more than one million forty-six thousand dollars (\$1,046,000.00) of bonds in accordance with the provisions of the Municipal Finance Act (RSA Chapter 33) and to authorize the board to issue and negotiate such bonds or notes and to determine the rate of interest thereon, and authorize the school board to take any other action to carry out this vote. Furthermore, to authorize the withdrawal of \$54,000 from the School Building Capital Reserve Fund created for this purpose. In addition to raise and appropriate \$31,000 for the 2005-2006 interest payment to be raised by general taxation. The school board recommends this appropriation. (A 2/3 ballot vote is required.)

Moved by Helga Mueller, second by Don Smith. Abby Metcalf amended Article I to exclude the building of a new library. Seconded by Nancy Hartley. Discussion included all day access to the library, support of a town and a school library, computers in the classroom, book costs, staffing, need for school library, state requirements, combined town and school library, and security issues. Abby Metcalf called the amendment to the article. Seconded by John Metcalf. All in favor. Vote on the amendment: voice vote unclear. Show of hands: amendment passed 58-54. Shawn Rogers made the motion for a recount, George Smith seconded. Discussion about the project should library be excluded from plan. Letter from Librarian Maureen Byrne read by Knapton. Fred Shipman called to reconsider. All in favor. Voice vote unclear. Show of hands: amendment to Article 1 stands 46 in favor 48 oppose. Discussion on Bond with no library included, the decrease in funding needed, expansion needs, importance of staff not building, pros and cons of computer use, skills learned in library, excitement to go to town library etc. Motion made by Fred Shipman and seconded by Abby Underhill to allow Charles Grant, non-registered resident, to speak. Mr. Grant stated that a library is beneficial on or off school grounds but that he felt a science lab is most important to this project. Discussion by public on strength and weaknesses of science program. No further discussion. Polls opened at 8:32 to vote on Article 1 as amended. Polls to close at 9:32.

ARTICLE 2: To hear reports of Agents, Auditors, Committees, or Officers chosen and pass any vote relating thereto.

None. Moved to article 3

ARTICLE 3: To see what sum of money the district will raise and appropriate for the support of the schools, for the payment of salaries of school district officials and agents, and for the payment of statutory obligations of the district. This article is exclusive of any other article on this warrant. The school board recommends one million four hundred eighty thousand two hundred twenty-six dollars (\$1,480,226.00.)

Abby Underhill moved the article, Shawn Rogers seconded. No discussion. Article 3 passed by voice vote.

ARTICLE 4: To see if the district will vote to pay tuition to Hanover for students currently in the eighth grade, and further to raise and appropriate thirty-five thousand dollars (\$35,000.00) for the estimated difference in tuition for 7 students to attend Hanover. The school board does not recommend this article.

Article moved by James Lambert, second by Helga Mueller. Glen Meder made a motion to amend article to \$10,000 for 2 students instead of \$35,000 for 7 students. Discussion as to why amended. Glen Meder explained that no current students plan to attend Hanover but would like to allow for contingency of 2 students. Lisa Knapton explained that those currently attending Hanover were accounted for in the present budget. Mark Fagnant moved the amendment to the article, Shawn Rogers seconded. All in favor. Amended article passed by voice vote. Jean Daley moved to decrease the amended article to \$5,000.00 for 1 student, James Lambert seconded. The present tuition fund is in place for the larger grades that are coming up but could be used for contingency. All in favor of the amendment to the amended article. Failed by voice vote. Amendment to \$10,000.00 stands. Discussion on future policy for High Schools. Labs said the policy would be for cost containment not for quality of school. He said that the Board is asking for guidance from the voters. Lisa Knapton said that she feels the district needs to limit liability to have an open school choice. John Metcalf moved the amended article, Mark Fagnant seconded. All in favor. Amended article failed by voice vote.

ARTICLE 5: To see if the district will raise and appropriate up to thirty thousand dollars (\$30,000.00) to be added to the previously established School Building Capital Reserve fund, such amount to be funded from the year-end undesignated fund balance available on June 30, 2005. Furthermore, to make the school board agents to expend the Capital Reserve fund. The school board recommends this article.

Glen Meder made the motion to pass over article 5, Shawn Rogers seconded. Discussion to wait until bond vote is known to determine if article is necessary. Glen withdrew the motion to pass over, Lisa Knapton seconded. On motion by Fred Shipman, second by Shawn Rogers a 7-minute recess was granted to allow polls to close.

Polls closed at 9:32 pm. There were 124 ballots cast. 2/3 majority (83 yes ballots) needed to pass Article 1. Article failed 63 yes, 61 no.

Article 5 moved by Helga Mueller, and seconded by John Metcalf. Glen Meder moved to amend the article to remove the one sentence beginning with Furthermore. He explained that it was to be used along with bond, bond failed, sentence not needed. Money is still in the capital reserve fund for repairs. Seconded by Fred Shipman. Article was read as amended. All in favor. Amended article passes by voice vote.

ARTICLE 6: To see if the district will raise and appropriate up to twenty thousand dollars (\$20,000.00) to be added to the previously established Tuition Trust Fund, such amount to be funded from the year-end undesignated fund balance available on June 30, 2005. The school board recommends this article.

Article moved by Fred Shipman, Bill Daley seconded. All in favor. Article passed by voice vote.

ARTICLE 7: To see if the district will raise and appropriate up to five thousand dollars (\$5,000.00) to be added to the previously established Special Education Expendable Trust, such amount to be funded from the year-end undesignated fund balance available on June 30, 2005. (The school board recommends this article.)

Helga Mueller moved, Abby Metcalf seconded. No Discussion. Article passed by voice vote.

ARTICLE 8: To transact any other business that may legally come before said meeting.

Chris Davidson asked the Board if there are plans to fix the egress. Glen Meder said that they do need to be fixed and that the money would most likely come from the emergency fund. He assured Chris that the doors would be corrected.

Rob Elder asked that the School Board and the Library Board work together on a plan for the students to be allowed library time twice each week. Rob made the motion, Abby Metcalf seconded. Glen Meder will look into the budget to see what can be done.

Shawn Rogers commented that the \$7,500.00 spent for the Architect's report and the school evaluation was well worth the money. He stated that the numerous issues found would need to be addressed in the future.

Bernadette Ratel asked about the \$78,878.00 fund that was found last year, wondering if some of it could be used to fix the gym floor. She stated that kids are getting hurt and schools are refusing to play at the gym. Lisa Knapton explained that the Department of Revenue had researched the fund and found that it was an illegal fund that belonged to the Town of Piermont. She read the letter from the Department of Revenue. The Town may need to vote to dissolve the fund then add it to the school warrants. Glen Meder stated that this information was just received today. The select board will be approached.

Motion by Fred Shipman to adjourn at 9:58 pm, seconded by Shawn Rogers. All in favor.

Respectfully Submitted,

Karen Fagnant
School District Clerk

**PIERMONT SCHOOL DISTRICT
2006 SCHOOL WARRANT
THE STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE**

To the Inhabitants of the School District of Piermont, County of Grafton,
State of New Hampshire, qualified to vote in District affairs:

You are hereby notified to meet at the Old Church Building in said
district on the 14th day of March 2006, polls to be open for
election of officers at 10:00 o'clock in the morning and to close not
earlier than 6:30 o'clock in the evening.

ARTICLE 1: To choose, by non-partisan ballot, a Moderator for the
ensuing year.

ARTICLE 2: To choose, by non-partisan ballot, a School District Clerk
for the ensuing year.

ARTICLE 3: To choose, by non-partisan ballot, a Treasurer for the
ensuing year.

ARTICLE 4: To choose, by non-partisan ballot, one School Board
Member for a term of three years expiring in 2009.

Given under our hands at Piermont this 21st day of February 2006.

Glen Meder, Chairperson

Vernon Jones

Lisa Knapton

PIERMONT SCHOOL BOARD

**PIERMONT SCHOOL DISTRICT
2006 SCHOOL WARRANT
THE STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE**

To the inhabitants of the School District of Piermont, County of Grafton, State of New Hampshire, qualified to vote in District affairs:

You are hereby notified to meet at the Piermont Village School in Piermont on the 21st day of March 2006, action on the Articles in this Warrant to be taken commencing at 7:30 o'clock in the evening.

ARTICLE 1: To hear reports of Agents, Auditors, Committees, or Officers chosen and pass any vote relating thereto.

ARTICLE 2: To see what sum of money the district will raise and appropriate for the support of the schools, for the payment of salaries of school district officials and agents, and for the payment of statutory obligations of the district. This article is exclusive of any other article on this warrant. The school board recommends one million five hundred seventy-five thousand nine hundred sixty-one dollars (\$1,575,961.00)

ARTICLE 3: To see if the district will raise and appropriate thirty thousand dollars (\$30,000) to install five new classroom safety exit doors that open outward. The school board recommends this article.

ARTICLE 4: To see if the district will vote to create an expendable trust fund under the provisions of RSA 198:20-c, to be known as the Enrichment Trust Fund, for the purpose of providing educational program enhancements. Furthermore, to raise and appropriate ninety thousand dollars (\$90,000) toward this purpose and to name the school board as agents to expend from this fund. (Majority vote required.) The school board recommends this article.

Note: This amount is being returned to taxpayers by the town of Piermont from a previously established trust fund. This article will move those funds into the school district trust.

ARTICLE 5: To see if the district will raise and appropriate up to eight thousand dollars (\$8,000) to be added to the previously established Technology Trust Fund, such amount to be funded from the year-end undesignated fund balance available on June 30, 2006. The school board recommends this article.

ARTICLE 6: To see if the district will raise and appropriate up to twenty thousand dollars (\$20,000) to be added to the previously established Tuition Trust Fund, such amount to be funded from the year-end undesignated fund balance available on June 30, 2006. The school board recommends this article.

ARTICLE 7: To see if the district will raise and appropriate up to five thousand dollars (\$5,000) to be added to the previously established Special Education Expendable Trust, such amount to be funded from the year-end undesignated fund balance available on June 30, 2006. (The school board recommends this article.)

ARTICLE 8: To transact any other business that may legally come before said meeting.

Given under our hands at Piermont this 21st day of February 2006.

Glen Meder, Chairperson

Vernon Jones

Lisa Knapton

PIERMONT SCHOOL BOARD

A True Copy of Warrant--Attest:

Glen Meder, Chairperson

Vernon Jones

Lisa Knapton
PIERMONT SCHOOL BOARD

I certify that on the _____ day of _____ 2006, I posted
a copy of the written warrant attested by the School Board of said District
at the place of meeting within named and a like attested copy
at _____ being a public place in said
District.

Signature

State of New Hampshire

County of Grafton ss

_____, 2006

Personally appeared the said

_____ and made oath the
above certificate is true.

Before me _____

NOTARY PUBLIC

My commission expires: _____.

ANNUAL REPORT OF THE SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS

It gives me a great sense of pride to communicate to you the progress we are making in our school system. I believe we have taken meaningful steps which will show in the future progress of our students.

Work continues in each of our schools to improve students' writing skills with the help of our Writing Consultant, Diana Leddy. Now in our third year of this work, we are seeing positive results in the confidence our teachers have gained as well as the performance of our students in all activities that involve writing.

We have implemented the Northwest Evaluation Association (NWEA) Testing Program which we believe will give us a better understanding of the progress of our students in math and reading. Our students are using computer technology to take these tests, and the teaching staff is able to see the results the next day. Pre and post testing will be done in the fall and the spring so we can monitor progress made during the year. These tests should help us to identify areas of student weaknesses and strengths which will allow us to more personalize learning for our students.

Technology has significantly improved in all of the SAU schools. It is our intent to use technology to support instruction and help promote higher order thinking skills. The staff is working to improve their skills and leading learning activities with technology. This effort will help to enable Piermont students to be better prepared for their high school experiences.

All of the schools continue to work on School Improvement Plans in the interest of our students; using staff development time to keep these improvement plans active in each school.

This year brought a new bussing contract, bringing together all of the SAU #23 school districts and BMU. This contract saves money for all of the school districts and I believe it will benefit us over our five-year contract.

A new gym floor was installed at the school this year; it looks great and is safe for our students.

The school board continues to struggle with the future building needs of Piermont Village School and the challenge of getting the message out to the community so all can share in the solution to the space needs issue. I would like to thank Shawn Rogers and the Facilities Committee for their countless hours of work in trying to bring forth a solution to this problem.

A special thank you goes out to Don Smith for his tremendous contribution to Piermont Village School over the years. Don will be moving soon and will be greatly missed by all.

I will continue to make decisions in the interest of the students while working to improve our schools. It is only with the help of a very competent staff that I am able to be effective as your superintendent. I look forward to your continued support; it is something I will never take for granted.

Respectfully submitted,

Bruce C. Labs
Superintendent of Schools

PRINCIPAL'S ANNUAL REPORT PIERMONT VILLAGE SCHOOL

It is my pleasure to submit the 2005 Piermont Village School report to you, the Piermont Community.

It is as always our goal to provide the highest quality education possible for the children of Piermont. Some of the richest and most memorable learning events for children come in special events packages. There were a number at the Piermont Village School this year.

Last year several classes worked in conjunction with the Vermont Earth Institute on a local food unit. The highlight was a meal prepared for the whole school comprised of foods grown in the Upper Valley, mostly in Piermont. The surprise came in the things we could not have: salt? This unit also afforded us an opportunity to visit some farms here in Piermont to learn about various aspects of farming and where the food we eat actually comes from.

In February, we had our bi-annual science fair, with students presenting the result of experiment based research on a question of interest.

Our annual play this year was called *So Tall*. It incorporated four classic American tall tales with traditional American music. Students learned and shared the stories of railroad legend *John Henry*, sea captain *Stormalong*, lumberjack *Paul Bunyan*, and cowboy *Pecos Bill*.

ELF volunteers continued to bring their unique program about environmental education to students in grades K-6. The current theme of study is adaptations in nature.

The winner of the annual Nation Geographic geography Bee was Julian Grant. He qualified by taking a test to compete at the state level in Keene. He also won the yearly spelling bee sponsored by the Union Leader.

Eight students graduated from the 8th grade: Morgan Henry, Anthony Mazzilli, Tom Metcalf, Jen Noyes, Corey Langley, Josh Short, David Smith, and Luke Whitaker. They chose to attend 4 different high schools: Woodsville, Oxbow, Rivendell, and Thetford.

Eleven students in grades 5-8 made the honor roll three times, and were invited to an Honor Roll banquet along with their parents. The meal was prepared and served by teachers in recognition of the students' accomplishment.

Most students at PVS participate in sports. Forty-six students are skiing or snowboarding in the downhill program right now. Basketball is underway for students in all grades. We are lucky to have great coaches willing to volunteer their time to make our programs possible. Many questions arise about sports. They are addressed regularly by the standing school Athletic Advisory Committee.

This new school year brought some staff changes. Heather Odell joined us as our special education teacher. Darlene Daniels and Corey Collins are working as instructional assistants. Kim French returned as our one day a week guidance counselor. Long time Piermont resident Donna Huntington agreed to step in as our school nurse. We started the year with 83 students.

One of the highlights of the year so far has been the acquisition of a cart housing ten laptop computers for student use. As the 7/8 science teacher, I can attest that having access for every student to specific software and to the internet during class has enhanced learning. It is also helping students become comfortable with a tool that has become commonplace in the world.

Besides using technology to improve instruction, another area of focus this year is the use of assessment to direct instruction. All classroom staff has received training in this area. As a school we have implemented new assessment tools to help us in this goal.

Another highlight is the new floor in our multi-purpose room. The vinyl tile floor was replaced with a composite pulastic floor. It is a great surface for basketball and physical education classes. A lot of volunteer effort went into prepping the concrete before the floor was laid.

Student Council, under the direction of Pam Hartley, continues to be active and influential in our school community. This year's officers are as follows: President Courtland Hanley - grade 8, Vice President Alyvia Covert - grade 6, Secretary Meaghan Jones - grade 7, Treasurer Kyle Huntington - grade 6.

We appreciate the support and help from so many community members. A big thank you to all of you.

Respectfully submitted,
Nancy Sandell, Principal

PIERMONT SCHOOL DISTRICT

Honor Roll Third Marking Period 2004-2005

Grade Five

Keith Brick
Alyvia Covert*
Julian Grant*
Michael Langley*
Alex Oakes*
Amber Pollock*
Nicholas Thompson
Peter Trapp*

Grade Six

Cody Erwin*
Meaghan Jones*
Brian Priestley*

Grade Seven

Helen Cleaves
Courtland Hanley*
Alex Kivela*
Shannon Page

*Indicates students who were on the honor roll all three marking periods.

In order to be named to the honor roll a student must be in grades five through eight and receive A's and B's in all subject areas, social adjustment and work habits.

Perfect Attendance

Zachary Brick
Noah Gaudette
Christopher Underhill

Scholarships

Kara Labs – Hamilton College

SUPERINTENDENT'S ENROLLMENT REPORT **2004-2005**

Number of Pupils registered during the year	88
Average Daily Membership	79.3
Percentage of Attendance	95%

ENROLLMENT BY GRADES

Grade	K	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	Total
	8	12	11	15	6	11	11	7	7	88

PIERMONT SCHOOL DISTRICT **STUDENTS TUITIONED TO OTHER DISTRICTS** (as of December 2005)

Haverhill Cooperative	12	32%
Oxbow	12	32%
Hanover	4	11%
Mascoma	1	1.5%
Rivendell	5	14%
St. Johnsbury Academy	1	1.5%
Thetford Academy	3	8%
TOTAL TUITION STUDENTS	38	100%

PIERMONT VILLAGE SCHOOL TEACHER QUALITY REPORT

Education Level Of Faculty And Administration (In Full Time Equivalents)

	BA	BA+15	MA	MA+15	MA+30
TEACHERS	1.2	6.2	.3	0	1
ADMINISTRATION	0	0	1	0	0

Number Of Teachers With Emergency/Provisional Certification - 1

Number Of Core Academic Courses Not Taught By Highly Qualified Teachers - 0

PARENTS RIGHT TO KNOW

As a parent, grandparent, aunt, uncle, or legal guardian,
you have the right to know:

1. Who is teaching your child
2. The qualifications and experience of your child's teacher(s)

For information concerning your child's teacher(s),
please contact the Superintendent's Office at:

SAU #23
2975 Dartmouth College Highway
North Haverhill, NH 03774
603-787-2113

PIERMONT SCHOOL DISTRICT
BALANCE SHEET

Fund 10
GENERAL

ASSETS		
Current Assets		
CASH	100	55,120.26
ASSESSMENTS RECEIVABLE	120	
INTERFUND RECEIVABLE	130	3,380.17
INTERGOVERNMENTAL RECEIVABLES	140	2,262.82
OTHER RECEIVABLES	150	1,517.94
PREPAID EXPENSES	180	
OTHER CURRENT ASSETS	190	
Total Current Assets		62,281.19
LIABILITY & FUND EQUITY		
Current Liabilities		
INTERFUND PAYABLES	400	
INTERGOVERNMENTAL PAYABLES	410	
OTHER PAYABLES	420	4,713.93
PAYROLL DEDUCTIONS	470	4,407.49
DEFERRED REVENUES	480	
OTHER CURRENT LIABILITIES	490	
Total Current Liabilities		9,121.42
Fund Equity		
RESERVE FOR ENCUMBRANCES	753	21,478.03
RESERVED FOR SPECIAL PURPOSES	760	
UNRESERVED FUND BALANCE	770	31,681.74
Total Fund Equity		53,159.77
Total Liabilities and Fund Equity		62,281.19

**REPORT OF SCHOOL DISTRICT TREASURER
For The
Fiscal Year July 1, 2004 to June 30, 2005**

SUMMARY

Cash on hand July 1, 2004:	\$ 50,350.80
Add receipts	1,331,577.10
Less 2003-04 School Board orders	<u>1,326,907.64</u>
Balance on hand June 30, 2005:	\$ 55,020.26

(Ending balance includes money market accounts)

**PIERMONT SCHOOL DISTRICT
BOND PAYMENT SCHEDULE**

Fiscal Year Ending	Principal	Interest	Total
2005	40,000	18,900	58,900
2006	40,000	16,200	56,200
2007	40,000	13,500	53,500
2008	40,000	10,800	50,800
2009	40,000	8,100	48,100
2010	40,000	5,400	45,400
2011	40,000	2,700	42,700
TOTALS	280,000	75,600	355,600

Audit Report

The Piermont School District has been audited by the Plodzik & Sanderson Professional Association. Copies of the audit are available for public review at the Superintendent's Office at the James R. Morrill Municipal Building, North Haverhill, NH.

SCHOLARSHIP FUND

Scholarships Awarded		(\$107.10)
Interest Earned		
Woodsville Guaranty		
Savings Bank	39.75	
Income Fund of America	<u>367.34</u>	\$407.09
New Fund Donations		\$2,000.00
Cash in Money Market Fund	227.20	
Income Fund of America	<u>12,203.11</u>	\$12,430.31

SCHOOL SPECIAL EDUCATION EMERGENCY EXPENDABLE TRUST

Beginning Balance, 1/1/05		\$44,680.98
Dividend Income, Money Market Fund		859.19
Shares Purchased		0.00
Shares Sold		<u>0.00</u>
Ending Balance, 12/31/05		\$45,540.17

SCHOOL BUILDING CAPITAL RESERVE FUND

Beginning Balance, 1/1/05		\$54,551.87
Dividend Income, Money Market Fund		1,059.65
Shares Purchased		30,000.00
Shares Sold		<u>0.00</u>
Ending Balance, 12/31/05		\$85,611.52

SCHOOL BUILDINGS EMERGENCY REPAIRS EXPENDABLE TRUST

Beginning Balance, 1/1/05		\$39,665.73
Dividend Income, Money Market Fund		755.22
Shares Purchased		0.00
Shares Sold		<u>0.00</u>
Ending Balance, 12/31/05		\$40,420.95

SCHOOL TECHNOLOGY EXPENDABLE TRUST

Beginning Balance, 1/1/05	\$15,715.85
Dividend Income, Money Market Fund	276.64
Shares Purchased	0.00
Shares Sold	<u>(3,500.00)</u>
Ending Balance, 12/31/05	\$12,492.49

SCHOOL TUITION EXPENDABLE TRUST

Beginning Balance, 1/1/05	\$91,027.55
Dividend Income, Money Market Fund	2,975.09
Shares Purchased	1,681.74
Shares Sold	<u>0.00</u>
Ending Balance, 12/31/05	\$95,684.38

SCHOOL FUND FOR SUPPORT OF THE SCHOOL DISTRICT

Name of Investment	Dividend or Interest Income	Capital Gains Reinvested	Market Value or Year End Balance
Growth Fund of America	88.21	104.46	14,431.40
Capital World Growth and Income Fund	319.60	527.03	13,943.01
American Balanced Fund	649.85	715.90	38,680.39
Washington Mutual Investors Fund	410.96	294.53	21,415.01
Centennial Money Market Fund			399.81
Totals	\$ 1,468.62	\$ 1,641.92	\$ 88,869.62

PIERMONT SCHOOL DISTRICT REVENUES

	<u>2004-2005</u>	<u>2005-2006</u>	<u>2006-2007</u>	
	<u>ACTUAL</u>	<u>REVISED</u>	<u>BUDGET</u>	<u>+/-</u>
FUND 1				
770 Fund Balance (to reduce taxes)	14,436	-	60,000	60,000
<u>1000 Revenue From Local Sources</u>				
1121 Current Appropriation	759,223	750,412	770,864	20,452
1510 Interest on Investments	1,547	1,500	1,500	-
1511 Trust Fund Interest	1,563	1,500	1,500	-
1910 Rentals	150	-	-	-
1980 Refund from prior year	3,444	-	-	-
1990 Miscellaneous	811	2,100	800	(1,300)
5252 Transfer from Technology Trust		3,500	-	(3,500)
<u>3000 Revenues From State Sources</u>				
3111 State Adequacy Grant *	289,030	410,348	410,348	-
3112 State Adequacy Tax	145,237	171,618	205,425	33,807
3210 School Building Aid	12,000	11,726	11,040	(686)
3230 Catastrophic Aid	13,307	19,546	2,400	(17,146)
3241 Vocational Tuition	6,964	20,750	21,136	386
3242 Transportation	793	-	1,436	1,436
<u>4000 Revenues From Federal Sources</u>				
4580 Medicaid	19,017	16,500	12,000	(4,500)
4810 National Forest Reserve	1,611	1,445	1,300	(145)
TOTAL FUND 1 REVENUES	1,254,697	1,410,945	1,439,749	28,804
FUND 2 GRANTS				
4521	49,456	33,291	38,339	5,048
TOTAL FUND 2	49,456	33,291	38,339	5,048
FUND 4 FOOD SERVICE				
1600 Food Service Sales	13,198	13,000	13,000	-
3260 State Reimbursement	439	400	400	-
4460 Federal Reimbursement	8,701	8,700	8,700	-
5221 Transfer from General Fund*	10,313	13,890	15,773	1,883
TOTAL FUND 4	32,651	35,990	37,873	1,883
Transfer to Trusts	50,000	31,682		(31,682)
TOTAL	1,401,240	1,511,908	1,575,961	64,053

SCHOOL TAX RATE PER \$1,000

	<u>ACTUAL</u>	<u>ACTUAL</u>	<u>PROJECTED</u>		<u>CURRENT</u>
	<u>2004-2005</u>	<u>2005-2006</u>	<u>2006-2007</u>	<u>+/-</u>	<u>VALUATION</u>
Local Education Tax	16.29	15.96	16.40	0.44	47,005
State Education Tax	3.24	3.79	4.54	0.75	45,246
TOTAL SCHOOL TAX RATE	19.53	19.75	20.94	1.19	per \$1,000

**PIERMONT SCHOOL DISTRICT
PROPOSED BUDGET SUMMARY**

		Expenses	Approved Budget	Proposed	
Object	Description	2004-05	2005-06	Budget 2006-07	+/-
GENERAL FUND					
110	PROFESSIONAL SALARIES	328,241	345,771	338,730	-7,041
111	ADMINISTRATIVE SALARIES	2,268	4,430	4,440	10
112	SUPPORT STAFF SALARIES	68,324	67,130	104,983	37,853
113	SUMMER SCHOOL SALARIES	1,374	1,700	1,700	0
120	SUBSTITUTES	3,578	5,353	5,353	0
122	CO-CURRICULAR SALARIES	2,167	2,370	3,300	930
211	HEALTH INS	49,446	53,724	61,288	7,564
213	LIFE INSURANCE	294	274	299	25
214	DISABILITY INSURANCE	1,003	1,031	1,121	90
220	FICA	30,729	32,642	34,285	1,643
231	EMPLOYEE RETIREMENT	2,955	3,583	7,012	3,429
232	PROFESSIONAL RETIREMENT	7,922	13,289	12,261	-1,028
240	TUITION REIMBURSEMENT	10,253	11,100	11,700	600
250	UNEMPLOYMENT COMP.	0	282	739	457
260	WORKERS' COMP	2,198	925	3,402	2,477
290	ANNUITIES	2,119	1,300	0	-1,300
310	SAU MANAGEMENT SERVICES	44,989	47,218	67,791	20,573
320	PROFESSIONAL EDUCATION SERVICE	31,906	36,493	34,462	-2,031
330	OTHER PROFESSIONAL SERVICES	30,891	37,304	41,147	3,843
411	WATER & SEWAGE	5,188	5,000	7,500	2,500
421	RUBBISH REMOVAL	2,061	1,300	1,525	225
422	SNOW REMOVAL	2,010	1,300	2,000	700
430	CONTRACTED REPAIRS/MAINT.	7,942	6,950	15,050	8,100
432	MAINTENANCE AGREEMENTS	1,252	1,096	1,200	104
440	RENTALS	2,580	6,251	6,211	-40
450	CONSTRUCTION SERVICES	20,103	0	0	0
490	SECURITY	580	550	600	50
510	STUDENT TRANSPORTATION	43,840	39,500	35,489	-4,011
520	PROPERTY/LIABILITY INSURANCE	4,361	3,850	3,850	0
531	TELEPHONE	1,977	2,200	2,200	0
532	DATA COMMUNICATIONS	1,577	840	840	0
534	POSTAGE	677	1,200	1,200	0
540	ADVERTISING	1,074	1,150	1,550	400
550	PRINTING	795	1,050	1,250	200
561	TUITION/IN-STATE LEA	169,638	192,474	184,313	-8,161
562	TUITION/OUT-STATE LEA	188,046	267,864	356,090	88,226
564	TUITION - PRIVATE	20,633	44,961	4,600	-40,361
569	RESIDENTIAL COSTS	0	38,304	0	-38,304
580	TRAVEL,LODGING,FOOD	277	1,600	1,050	-550
610	SUPPLIES	15,918	19,045	19,750	705
611	MAINTENANCE SUPPLIES	2,610	3,500	6,000	2,500
622	ELECTRICITY	9,257	9,800	9,200	-600
623	PROPANE	8,334	11,600	15,100	3,500
640	BOOKS & OTHER PRINTED MATERIAL	5,361	6,455	7,025	570
650	SOFTWARE	2,746	200	1,165	965
733	ADDITIONAL FURNITURE	391	1,400	1,500	100
734	ADDITIONAL EQUIPMENT	826	1,100	2,575	1,475
737	REPLACEMENT FURNITURE	1,454	750	1,200	450
738	REPLACEMENT EQUIPMENT	497	1,350	1,150	-200
810	DUES/FEES	4,101	4,975	5,230	255
830	INTEREST	18,900	16,200	13,500	-2,700
890	MISC.	0	50	50	0
910	PRINCIPAL	40,000	40,000	40,000	0
930	FUND TRANSFERS	60,313	42,843	15,773	-27,070
Total: GENERAL FUND - 10		1,265,974	1,442,627	1,499,749	57,122
FOOD SERVICE PROGRAM					
112	SUPPORT STAFF SALARIES	15,444	15,686	16,887	1,201
120	SUBSTITUTES	201	550	550	0
213	LIFE INSURANCE	22	22	22	0
214	DISABILITY INSURANCE	40	41	44	3
220	FICA	1,197	1,242	1,292	50
231	EMPLOYEE RETIREMENT	909	1,068	1,150	82
250	UNEMPLOYMENT COMP.	0	17	48	31

**PIERMONT SCHOOL DISTRICT
PROPOSED BUDGET SUMMARY**

Object	Description	Expenses Approved Budget		Proposed	+/-
		2004-05	2005-06	Budget 2006-07	
260	WORKERS' COMP	86	114	130	16
430	CONTRACTED REPAIRS/MAINT.	47	1,000	1,000	0
580	TRAVEL, LODGING, FOOD	38	100	100	0
610	SUPPLIES	1,026	1,100	1,100	0
630	FOOD FOR LUNCH PROGRAM	13,642	14,000	14,500	500
738	REPLACEMENT EQUIPMENT	0	1,000	1,000	0
810	DUES/FEES	0	50	50	0
Total: FOOD SERVICE - 21		32,651	35,990	37,873	1,883
SPECIAL REVENUES FUND - GRANTS					
110	PROFESSIONAL SALARIES	30,142	26,454	29,970	3,516
113	SUMMER SCHOOL SALARIES	3,600	0	0	0
115	GRANT SALARIES	1,619	0	0	0
211	HEALTH INS	3,694	3,946	4,483	537
213	LIFE INSURANCE	17	17	13	-4
214	DISABILITY INSURANCE	79	68	78	10
220	FICA	2,703	2,023	2,293	270
231	EMPLOYEE RETIREMENT	8	0	0	0
232	PROFESSIONAL RETIREMENT	660	759	1,109	350
240	TUITION REIMBURSEMENT	0	0	25	25
250	UNEMPLOYMENT COMP.	0	12	0	-12
260	WORKERS' COMP	0	12	0	-12
310	SAU MANAGEMENT SERVICES	214	0	0	0
320	PROFESSIONAL EDUCATION SERVICE	1,311	0	0	0
510	STUDENT TRANSPORTATION	330	0	0	0
610	SUPPLIES	1,594	0	0	0
640	BOOKS & OTHER PRINTED MATERIAL	1,787	0	0	0
733	ADDITIONAL FURNITURE	120	0	0	0
734	ADDITIONAL EQUIPMENT	1,578	0	0	0
810	DUES/FEES	0	0	268	268
890	MISC.	0	0	100	100
Total: SPECIAL REVENUES - GRANTS - 22		49,456	33,291	38,339	5,048
Grand Total:		1,348,081	1,511,908	1,575,961	64,053

warrant articles:

article 3: 30,000

article 4: 90,000

article 5: 8,000

article 6: 20,000

article 73: 5,000

total budget and warrant articles: 1,728,961

**Report of the Superintendent's and
Business Administrator's Salaries**

One half of the School Administrative Unit expenses are prorated among the school districts on the basis of adjusted valuation. One-half is prorated on the basis of average daily membership in the schools for the previous school year ending June 30. The Superintendent of SAU #23, during the 2005-2006 school year, will receive a salary of \$82,268. There is no Assistant Superintendent or Business Administrator position at SAU #23 at this time.

The table below shows the pro-ration of the salary to each school district:

Superintendent Salary		
Bath	\$9,641.81	11.72%
Benton	\$1,579.54	1.92%
Haverhill Cooperative	\$55,127.79	67.01%
Piermont	\$8,712.18	10.59%
Warren	\$7,206.68	8.76%
TOTAL	\$82,268.00	100%

SAU 23 APPROVED BUDGET 2006-2007

Function	Description	04-05 Expenses	05-06 Budget	Proposed Budget	Budget inc-dec
1100	ITINERANT TEACHERS	123,585	136,079	143,335	7,256
1230	FRENCH POND SCHOOL	179,324	182,108	167,959	(14,149)
1231	KING STREET SCHOOL	144,235	140,738	152,704	11,966
1430	FRENCH POND SUMMER SCHOOL	6,935	7,415	7,635	220
2120	GUIDANCE SERVICES	26,144	27,567	18,729	(8,838)
2150	SPEECH SERVICES	118,656	123,495	183,670	60,175
2159	SUMMER SCHOOL SPEECH	4,947	5,218	10,330	5,112
2220	TECHNOLOGY COORDINATOR	59,136	62,462	74,670	12,208
SUBTOTAL NON ASSESSMENT ITEMS		662,962	685,082	759,032	73,950
2212	CURRICULUM DEVELOPMENT	-	50	50	-
2311	SCHOOL BOARD	1,369	1,635	1,683	48
2313	TREASURER	2,236	2,340	2,338	(2)
2317	AUDIT	4,715	5,000	5,000	-
2318	LEGAL COUNSEL	336	500	350	(150)
2321	CENTRAL OFFICE	327,535	361,478	371,208	9,730
2330	SPECIAL NEEDS OFFICE	126,226	133,856	139,930	6,074
2540	SAU-WIDE PUBLIC RELATIONS	2,248	3,000	3,000	-
2620	BUILDING RENT	20,593	21,000	21,000	-
2640	EQUIPMENT	3,686	4,350	3,470	(880)
2810	RESEARCH/DEVELOPMENT	800	675	1,500	825
2820	COMPUTER NETWORK	14,492	21,382	23,595	2,213
2832	RECRUITMENT ADVERTISING	211	500	300	(200)
SUBTOTAL ASSESSMENT ITEMS		504,447	555,766	573,425	17,659
TOTAL GENERAL FUND		1,167,409	1,240,848	1,332,457	91,609
GRANTS					
	IDEA PRESCHOOL	7,647	7,834	7,834	-
	IDEA SPECIAL EDUCATION	242,828	242,920	259,274	16,354
		250,475	250,754	267,108	16,354
GRAND TOTAL SAU 23 PROPOSED BUDGET		1,417,884	1,491,602	1,599,565	107,963
SCHOOL DISTRICT ASSESSMENT COSTS		445,877	445,877	593,095	

**PIERMONT SCHOOL DISTRICT
SPECIAL EDUCATION PROGRAMS
PREVIOUS TWO FISCAL YEARS PER RSA 32:11-a**

		<u>2003- 2004</u>	<u>2004- 2005</u>
<u>Special Education Expenses</u>			
1200	Special Programs	134,246	129,542
1430	Summer School	3,152	2,825
2150/2159	Speech and Audiology	6,818	7,156
2162	Physical Therapy	-	1,983
2163	Occupational Therapy	4,968	6,569
2722	Special Transportation	518	3,368
Total Special Education Expenses		149,702	151,444

<u>Special Education Revenue</u>			
3110	Adequacy Funding SPED portion	52,884	52,884
3240	Catastrophic Aid	13,047	13,307
4580	Medicaid	26,666	19,017
Total Special Education Revenue		92,597	85,209

NET COST TO TAXPAYERS	57,105	66,235
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IDEA Entitlement Grant Funds

Part A - Preschool	523	523
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(Combined with other districts to fund SAU 23 preschool paid for through SAU 23)

Part B - Special Education	18,787	18,843
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(Combined to provide SAU-wide psychological services paid for through SAU 23)

SCHOOL ADMINISTRATIVE UNIT #23 PROJECTED REVENUES

		<u>2005 - 2006</u>	<u>2006 - 2007</u>	<u>+/-</u>
LOCAL REVENUE OTHER THAN ASSESSMENT				
1320	Tuition - French Pond	190,550	144,200	(46,350)
1321	Tuition - King Street School	144,200	162,225	18,025
1325	Tuition -French Pond Summer School	8,400	7,635	(765)
1950	Itinerants	237,307	231,507	(5,800)
1951	Speech/ Language	128,713	183,670	54,957
1990	Other local revenue (town internet line fees)	178	-	
1510	Interest	500	3,225	2,725
5000	Indirect Costs from SAU IDEA Grant	5,000	6,900	1,900
	Use of Fund Balance	<u>80,123</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>(80,123)</u>
	Total Other Revenue Fund I	794,971	739,362	(55,609)
1111	DISTRICT ASSESSMENTS	445,877	593,095	147,218
TOTAL PROJECTED REVENUES - GENERAL FUND		1,240,848	1,332,457	91,609
	GRANTS - IDEA & preschool	<u>250,754</u>	<u>267,108</u>	<u>16,354</u>
TOTAL SAU BUDGET INCLUDING GRANTS		1,491,602	1,599,565	107,963

SCHOOL DISTRICT ASSESSMENT SHARES	
Bath	66,605
Benton	9,905
Haverhill	394,111
Piermont	67,791
Warren	<u>54,683</u>
TOTAL ASSESSED TO DISTRICTS	593,095

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